



DEVILS' LINE

Ryo Hanada

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Line 24	0 4 3
Don't Cry	

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Near	

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so
I think
he'll be
the one
to come
get me.

Huh
...?

Uhm,
well...
I
called
a friend
of mine
who's a
detective
just
now,

MPD Tsukiji Precinct
Minato Police Box

Is
that
okay?

They
said they'll
send a car
to get
you.

I'll
bring her
to HQ.

I'm
with
Public
Safety.

Ms.
Taira?

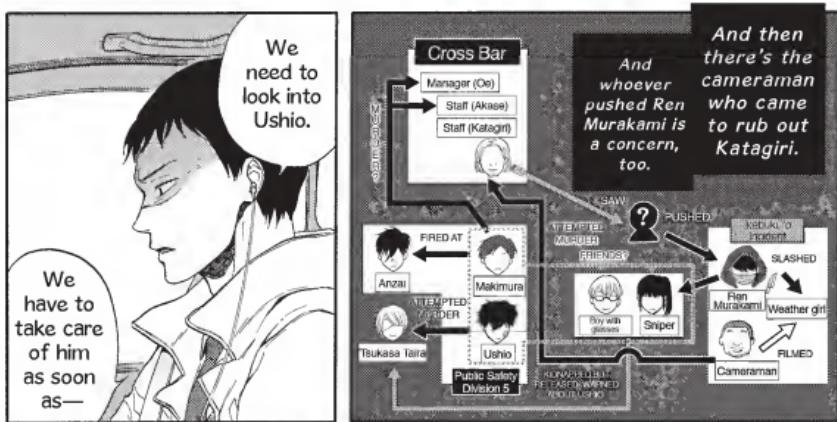
THUP

通番
派出所
安全部
Yakuza
Area











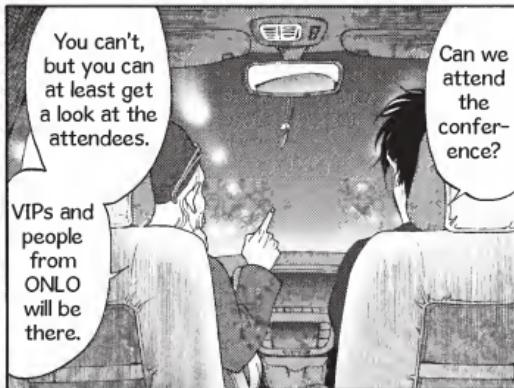
You sound like a father.











Obihiro National Laboratory (annex) Orphanage



the
last "O"
in ONLO
stands for
orphanage.

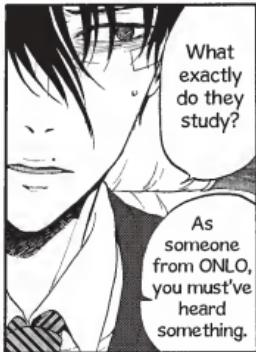
But that's an
annex at best.

The main
part is ONL—
Obihiro
National
Laboratory.



Well,
strictly
speak-
ing,

What is
ONLO,
really?



What
exactly
do they
study?

As
someone
from ONLO,
you must've
heard
something.



Inde-
pendent
admin,
though.



National
...

It just sounds
nicer with the
O at the end,
so the main
lab usually gets
called ONLO,
too.



data on
average
devil
life-
spans
...?

Is
it also
ONLO
that
releases



Well,
they're not
really made
public.

I don't
know
the
details,
though.

"Research
of devil
bionomics
and medical
treatment,"
right...?



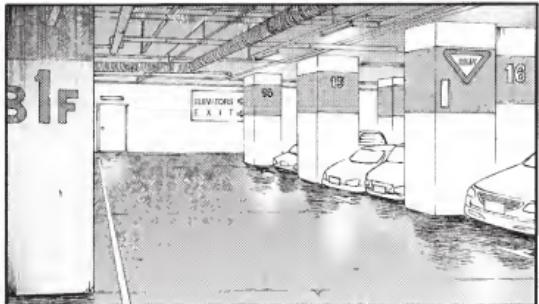
And what's the Hybrid Birth Plan?





At any rate...

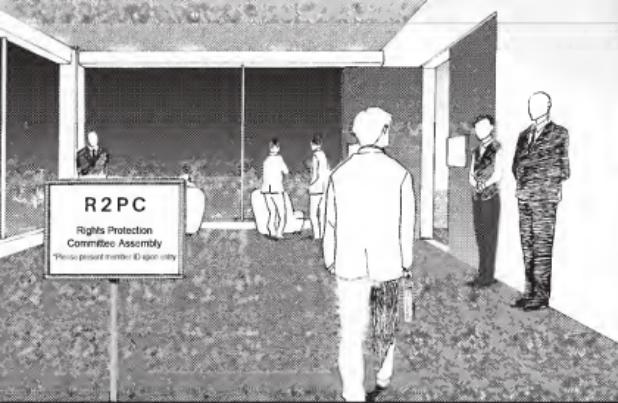
don't say that phrase again.



The conference will last a couple hours.





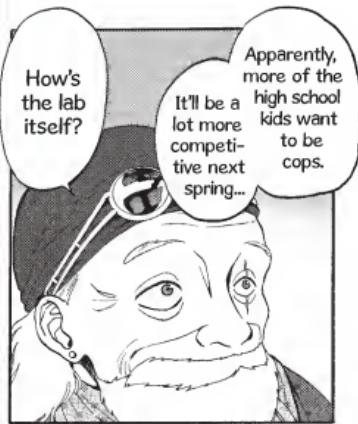


REDEYES' RIGHTS PROTE















isn't the
parlia-
mentary
secretary
a devil?

MINISTRY



His
skin's
nicer
than
mine,
actually.



Is your
hand-
some
man in
good
health?



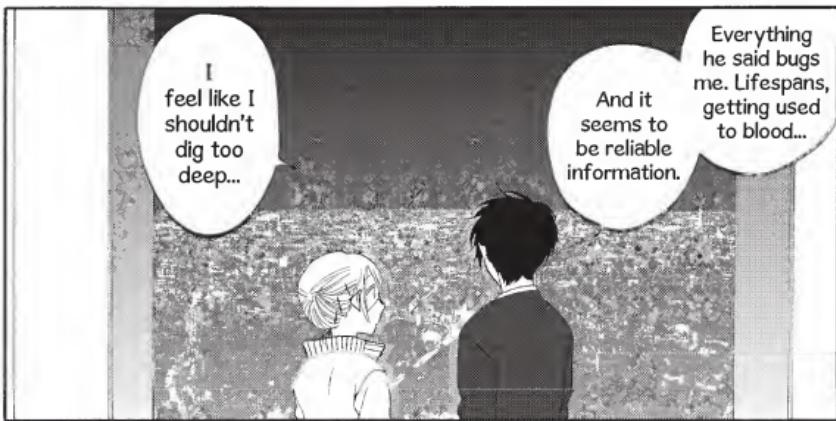
Ha
ha ha!
Fair
enough.

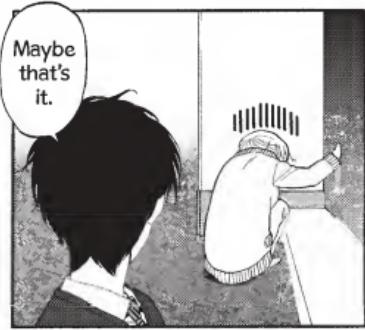


You're
one to
talk,
hmm?











"Dating,"
huh?

※They didn't
manage to
hold hands in
the parking
garage.

Good.
We held
hands...

But
"dating"
means
more
than
that...

We'll
keep on
doing
what
we've
done...?

That's
what we
said, but
what
does that
really
mean?

Right.
I still
don't
have her
cell phone
number.

Thinking
about it
here isn't
gonna
help.

THUP

SHAKE
Z" Z"

...









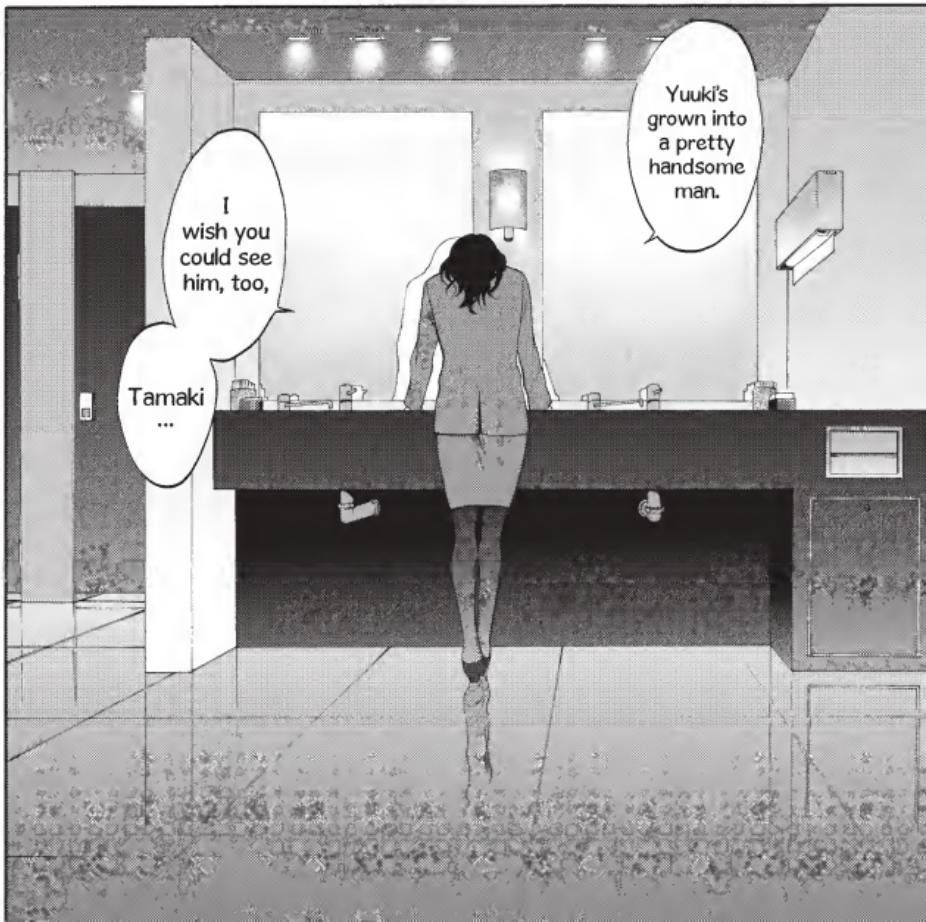


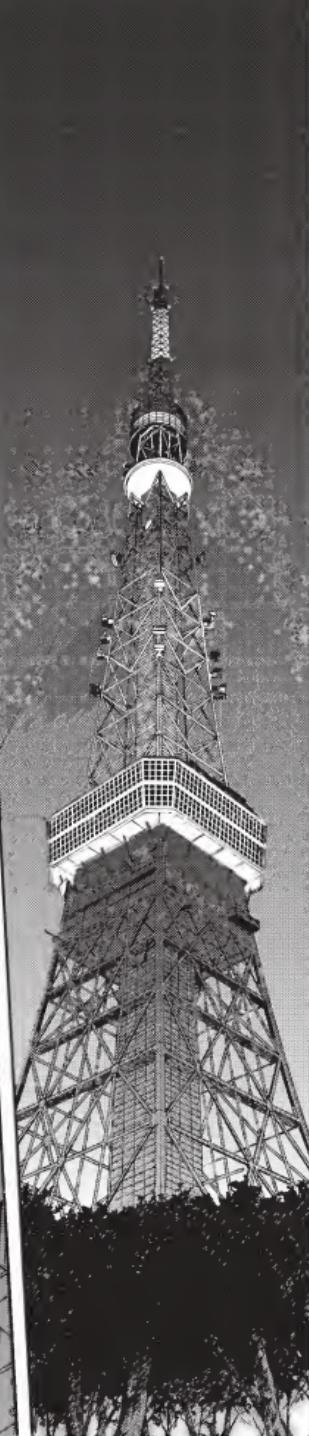


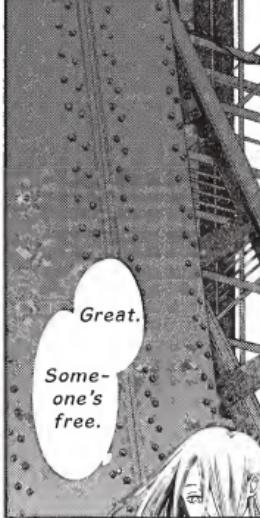
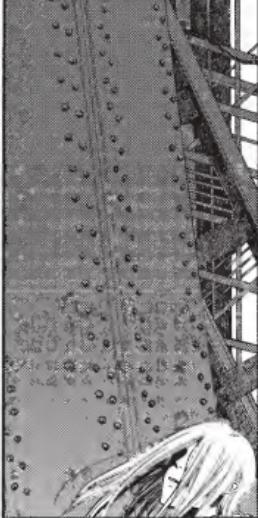




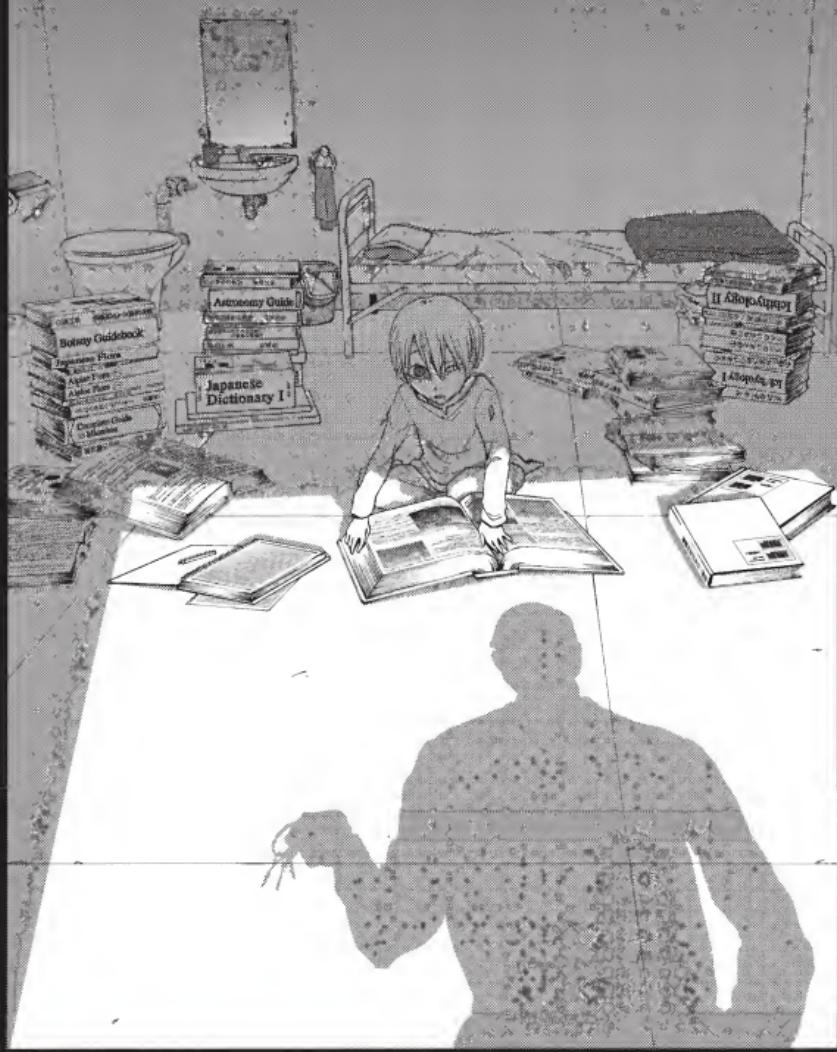
I've met her somewhere before...

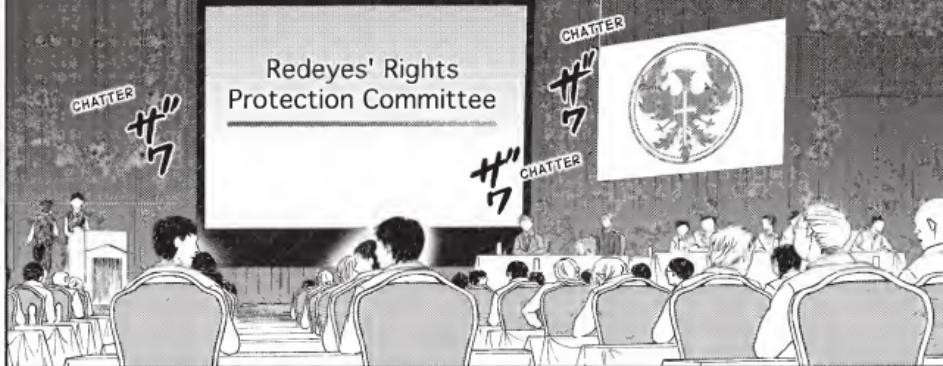






Line 24
Don't Cry





First,
I'd like to
start off
with a few
words from
the Minister
of Health,
Labor, and
Welfare.

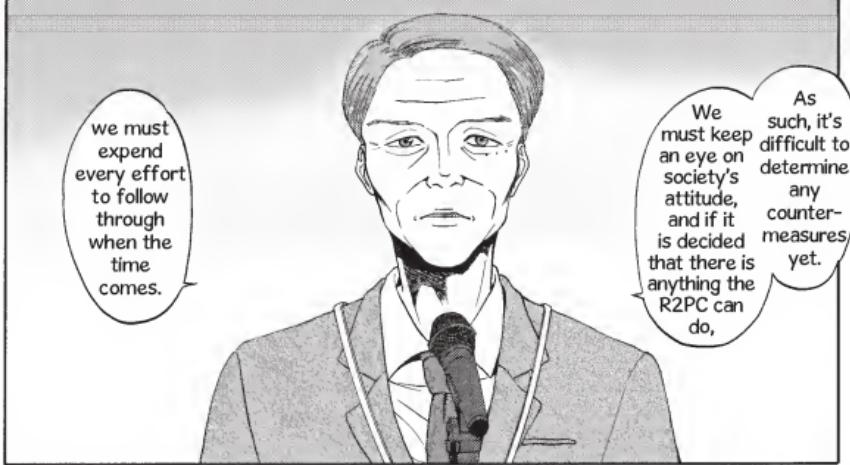
Uh, we will now
commence
the 56th
R2PC.

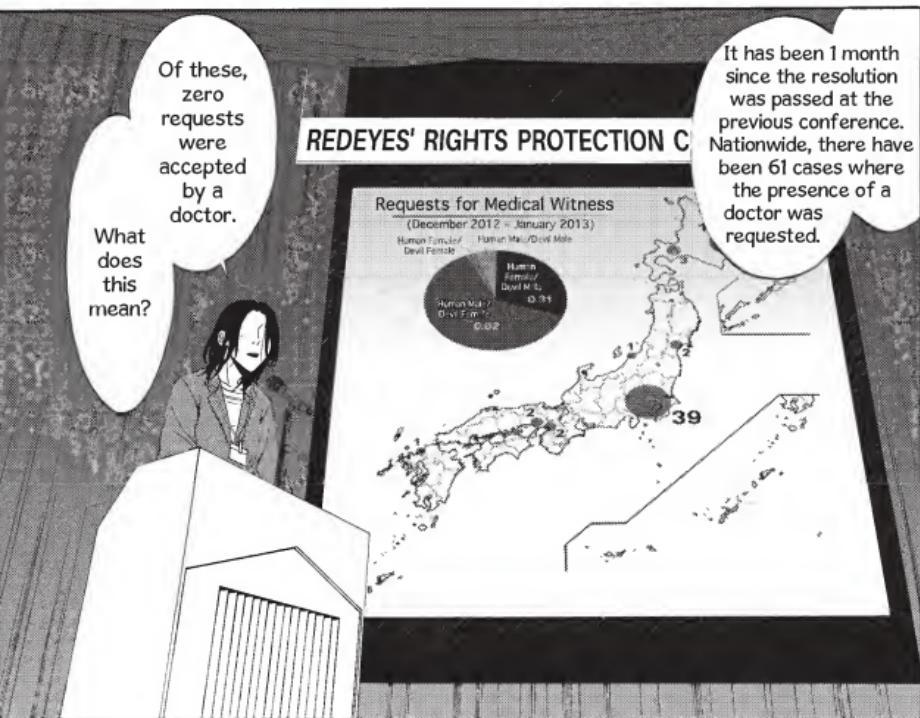
Is she
not
feeling
well...?



Regarding
the
incident in
Ikebukuro
last night
...









In other words, essentially 100% of devils transform during sex.

It's no exaggeration to say that a devil's sexual arousal is directly connected with their desire to drink blood.



A transformed devil can be more trouble than a lion.

Even if their limbs are shackled, if the chains break, it's all over.

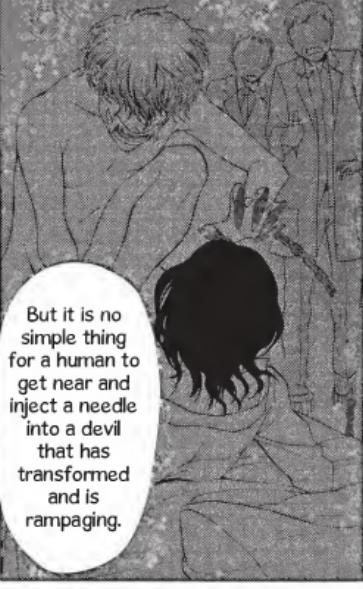
Paragraph 4 of Article II3 notes that if the devil transforms during sex, they are to be given a tranquilizer.



If we were to choose the safest and fastest method,

What if a lion were to appear in the city and start attacking people?

So then, how do we stop the lion?



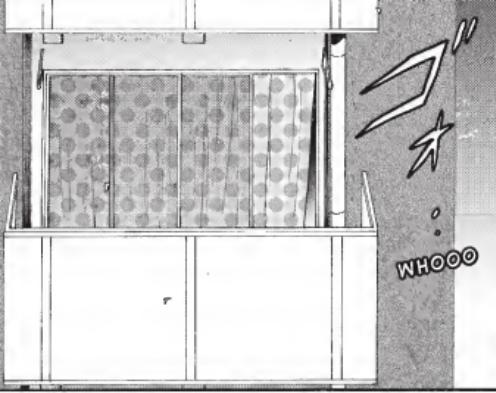
But it is no simple thing for a human to get near and inject a needle into a devil that has transformed and is rampaging.



the lion would be shot to death.



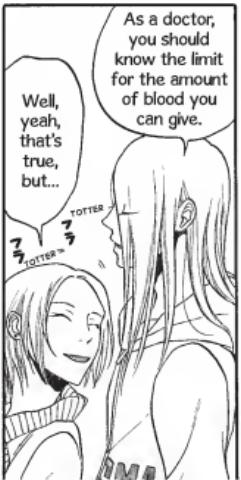
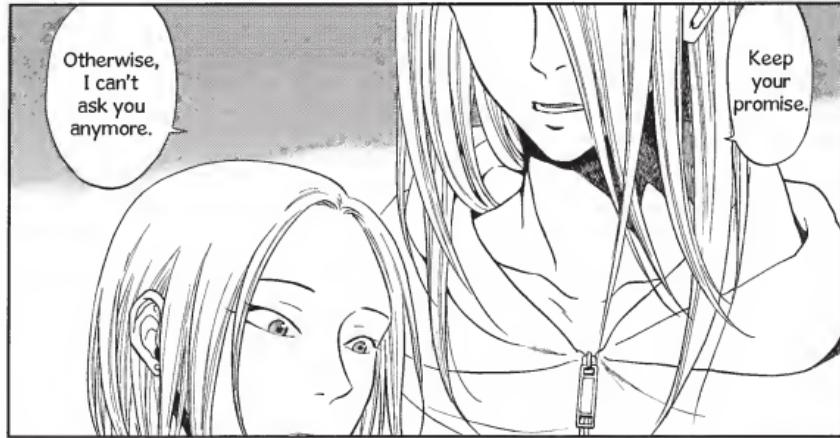


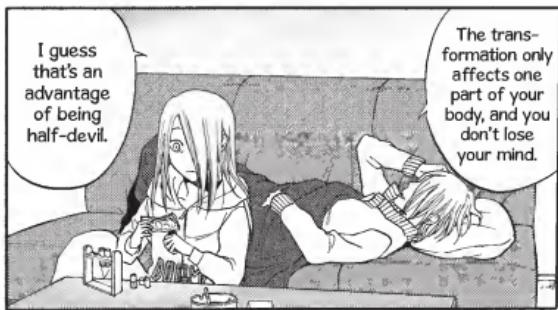
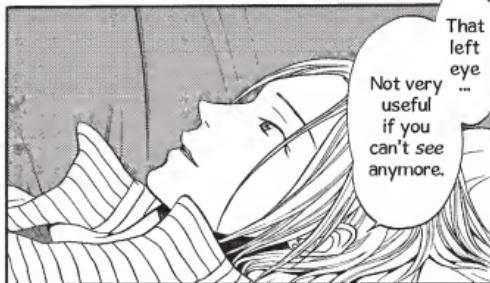


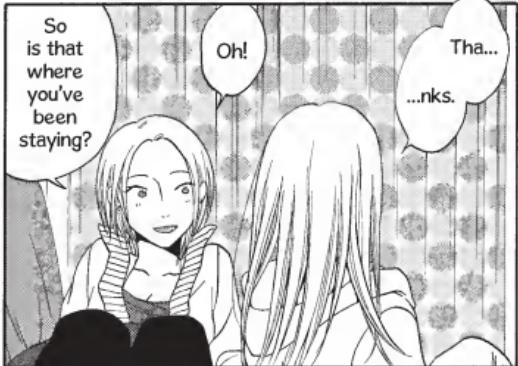
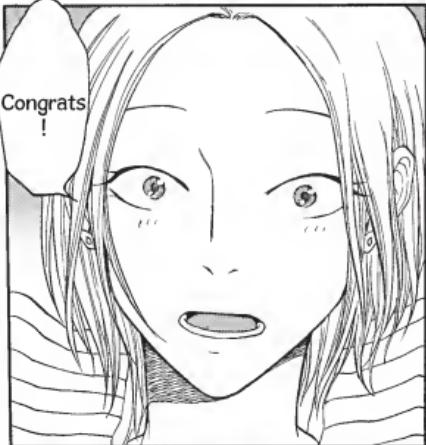
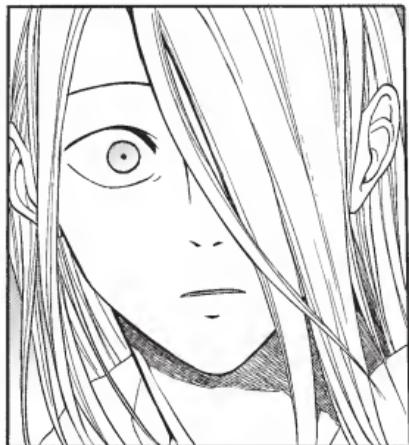


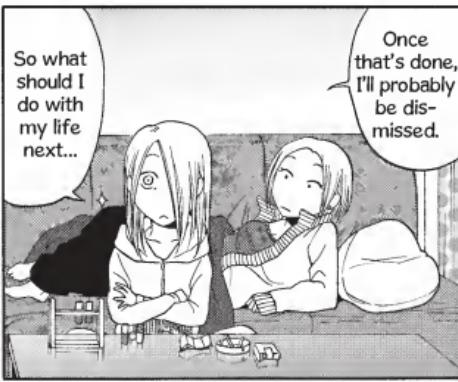
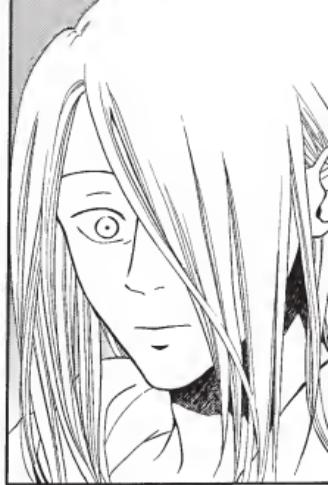
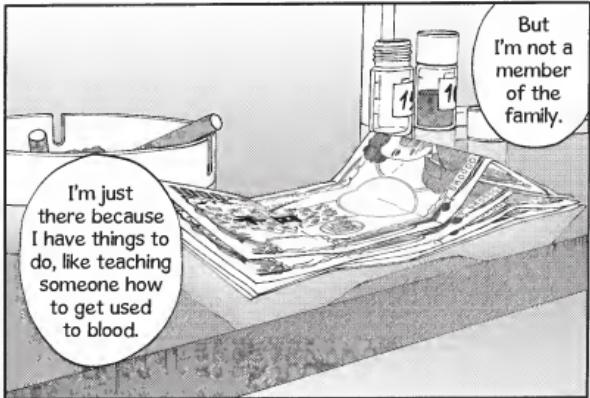
Two for the night, two for the morning.

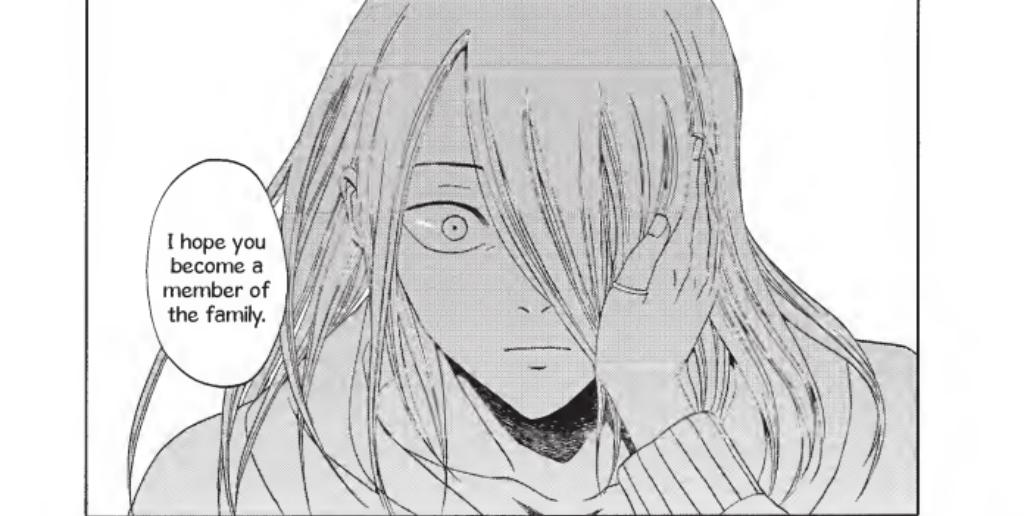












I hope you become a member of the family.



So this "sky?"



I'll knock your head in if you try talkin' to me again!!

I'm not guarding you 'cause I wanna.



Tch! You're a real noisy brat.

Is it true that it changes from red to bl—



And is it true that the color changes depending on the time?!

Just how big is it?

The "sky" is an endless space that spreads out above the earth.

HAAH

HAAH

Drink it all up, or the Number test won't work.

7.

When the light hits dust in the air and scatters, those colors become visible.

Since blue light has a shorter wavelength, it hits dust soon after it enters the atmosphere, making the sky appear blue.



so the red light is scattered, and the sky appears red.

Even though he's transformed,

He becomes more docile with each passing day.

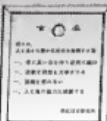
And you can see that he is aroused.

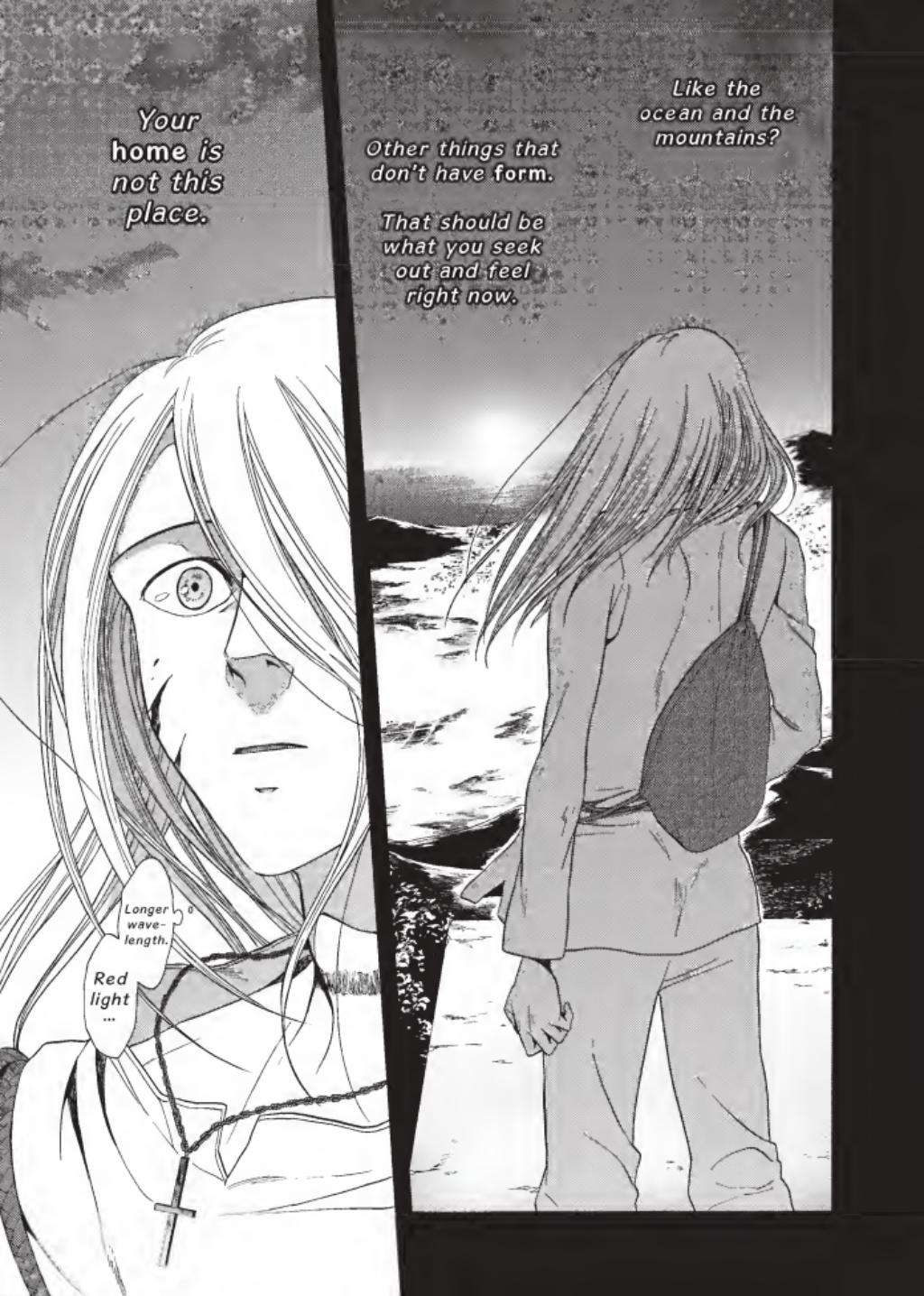
Only in the morning and evening when the sun is low in the sky, the light shines for a longer period in the atmosphere,

Since the wavelength of red light is longer, it doesn't scatter as readily.



*The “sky” is
an endless space
that spreads out above the earth...*





Your
home is
not this
place.

Like the
ocean and the
mountains?

Other things that
don't have form.

That should be
what you seek
out and feel
right now.

Longer
wave-
length.

Red
light
...



*This is my card.
Take out
2 million today.
I'll tell you
the PIN.*

*I will "realize"
tomorrow that
my card has
been "stolen."*

*how to
drink it
to best
maintain
your
sight and
physical
abilities,
plus all
that
knowledge
you've
gained
from
books.*

*You
know
only
too
well
how much
blood will
heal what
degree of
wound,*

*You're a
fighter.
And you're
smart.*

*You should
be able to
figure things
out from
there on
your own.*

*You can
decide
for
yourself
where
you
belong.*

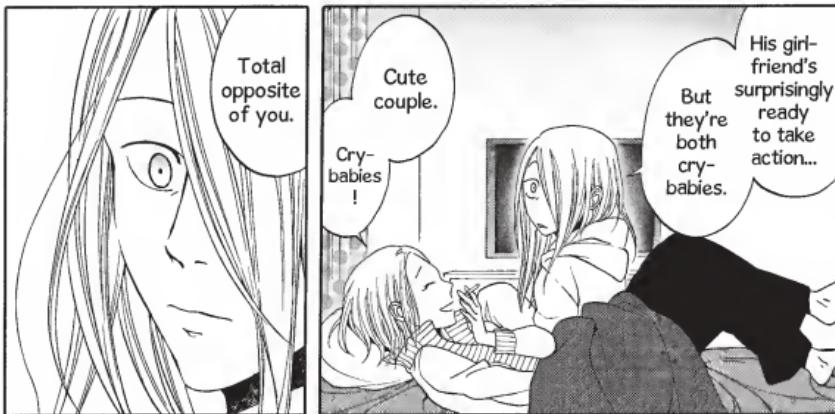
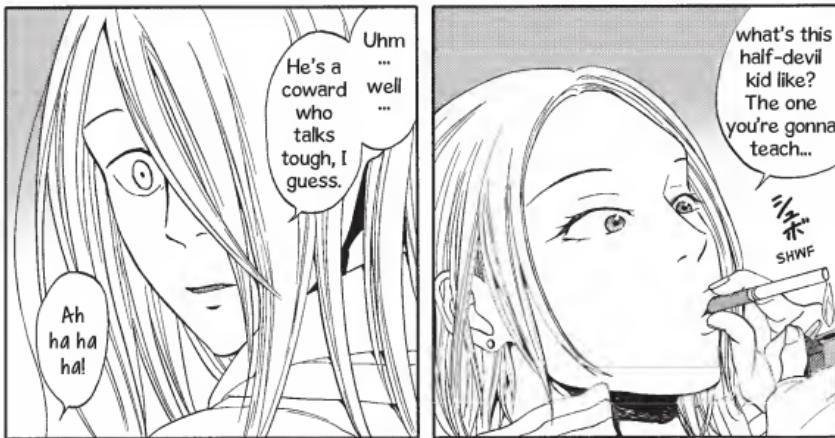
*Johannes
Kleiman.*

*Johannes
Kleiman
...*

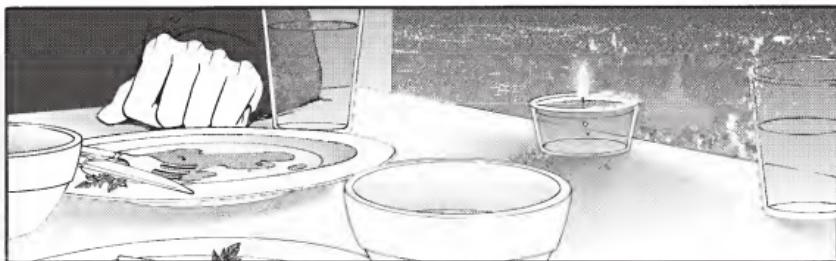
*Your
real
name
is*

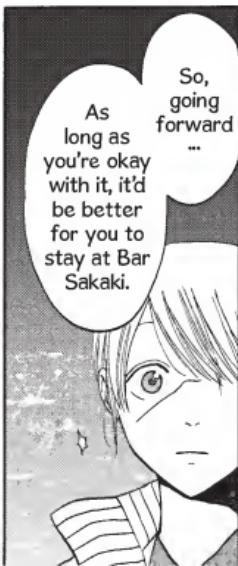
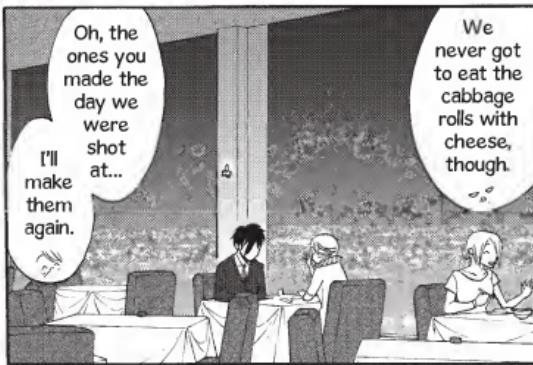
*Number
7—
no...*

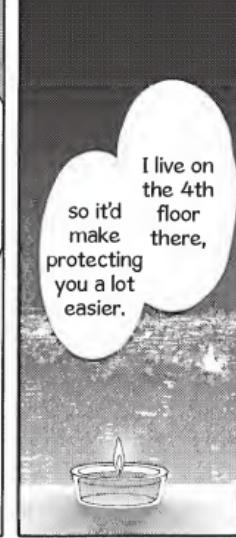
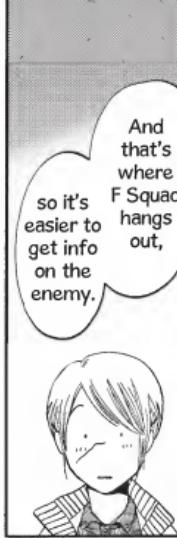
*I'm
praying
you'll be
able to
live in
freedom.*



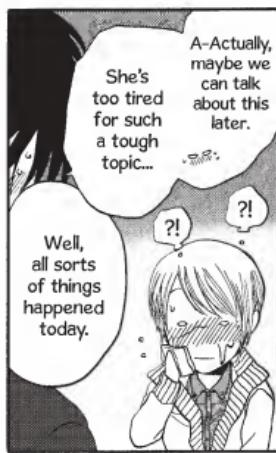
...Yeah.

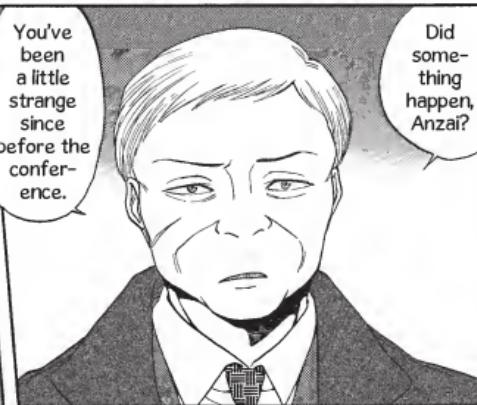


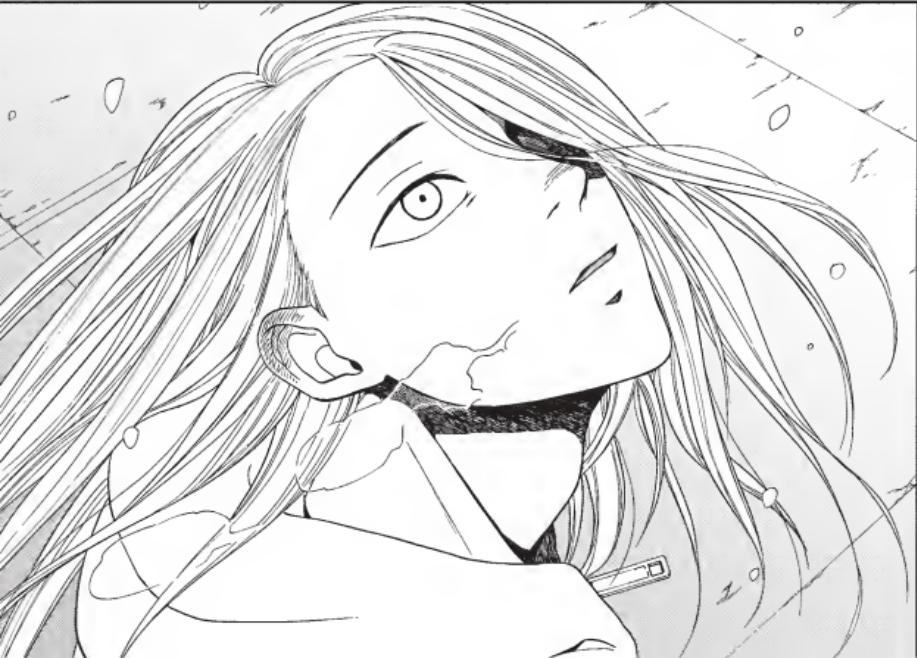
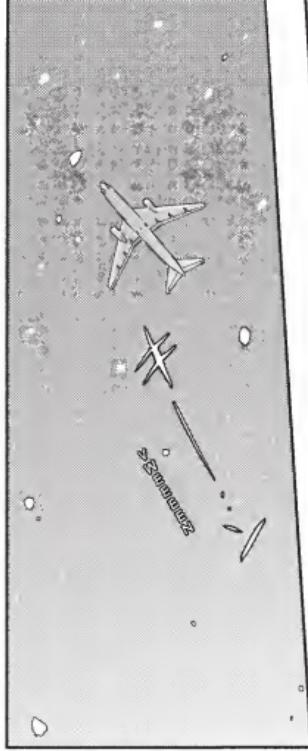


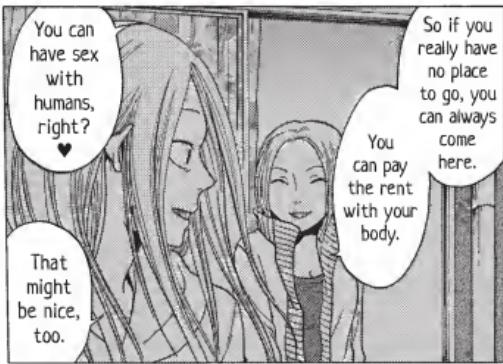


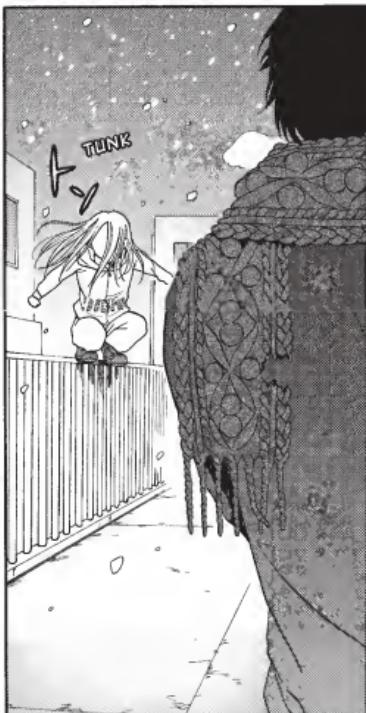




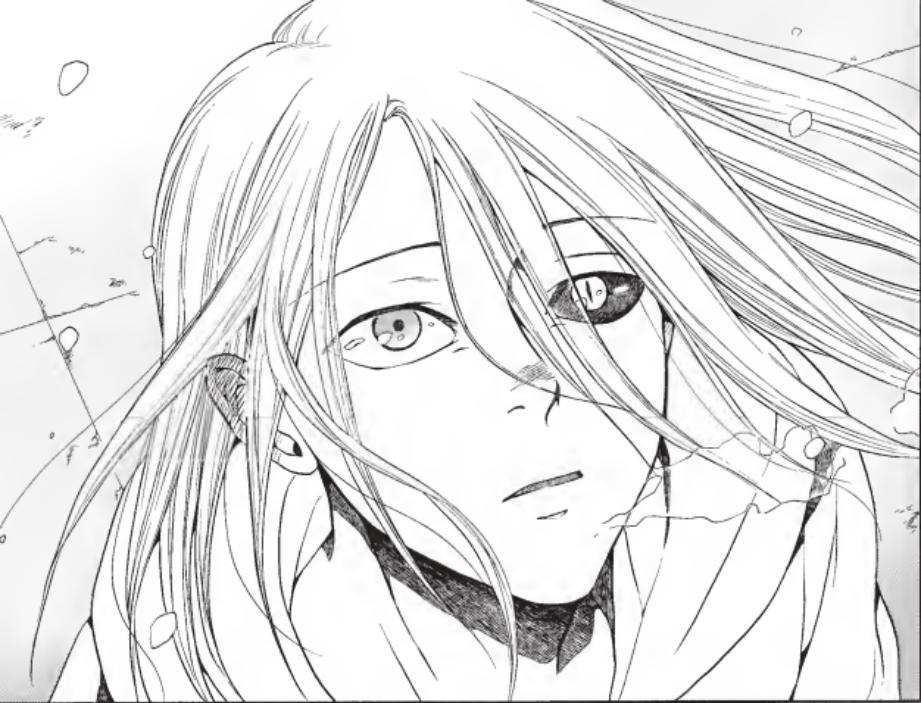




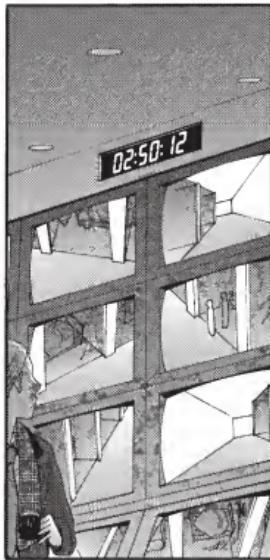
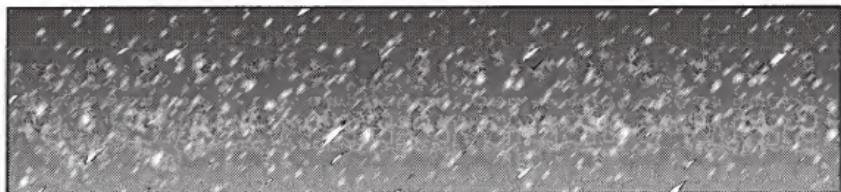


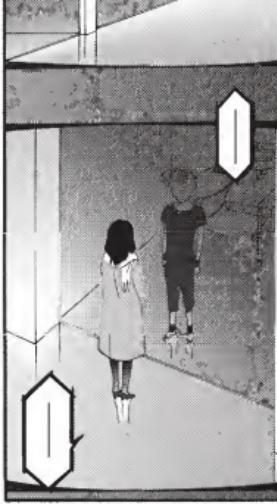


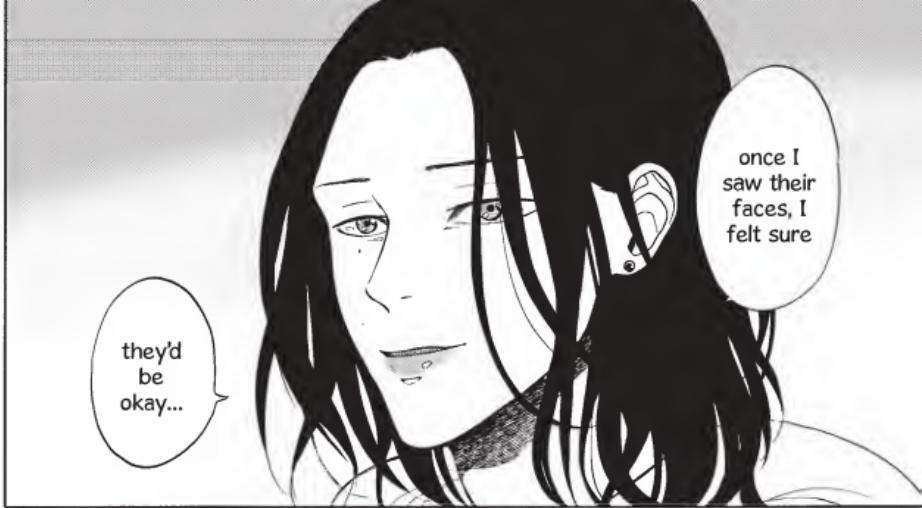




*did I look
up at the
sky just
now?*











I
hope that
day does
come.

Tamaki.



Dr. Feng Jing,
before she cut
and dyed her hair

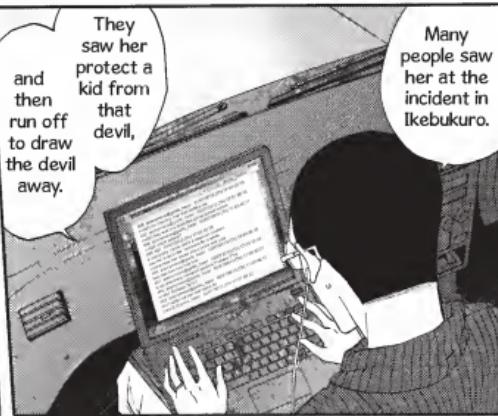
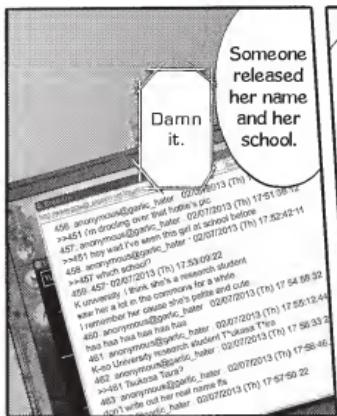
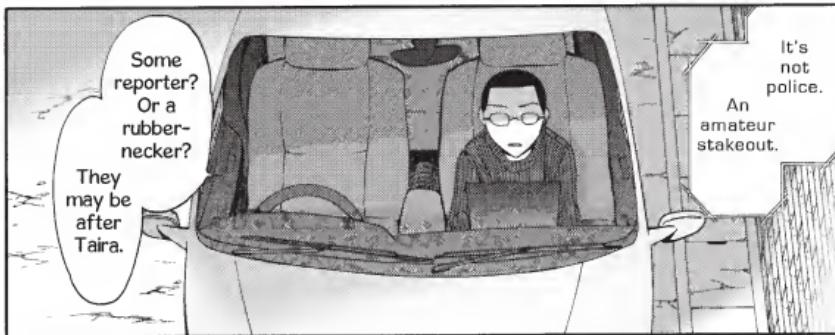
(The shape of her chest
is lovely.)





Line 25
Offline





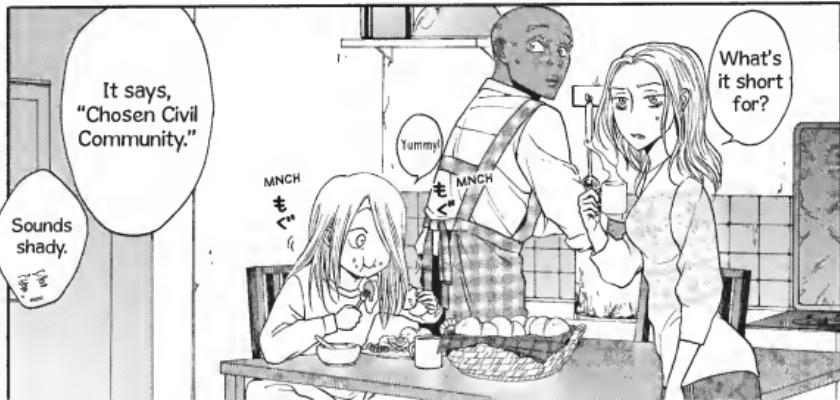


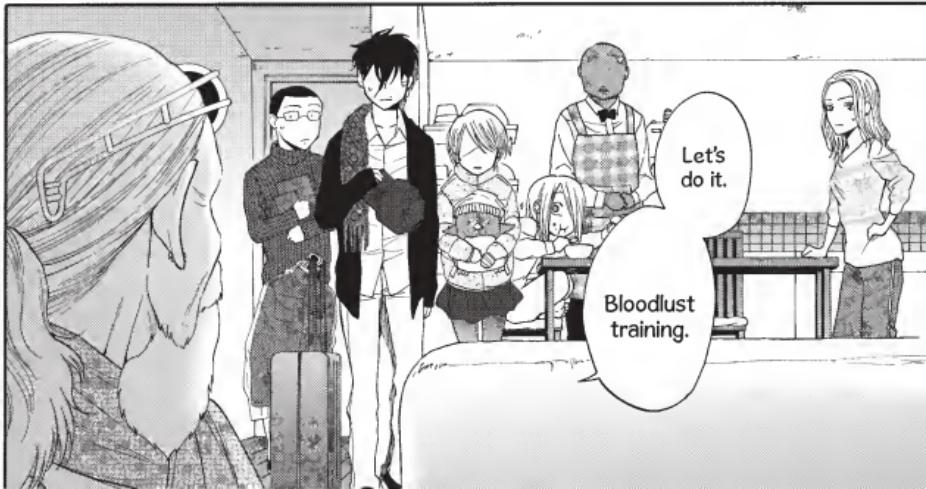
Like this group that's made a move to wipe out all devils.

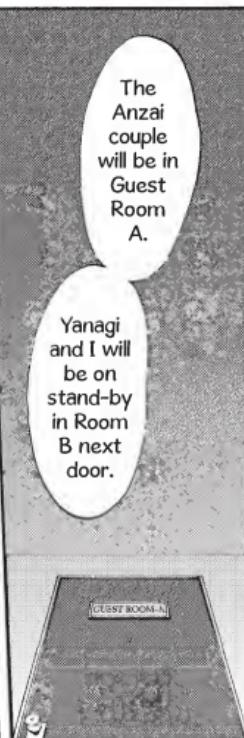


The group is called "CCC."

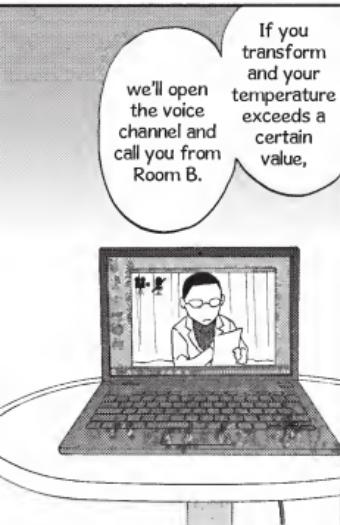
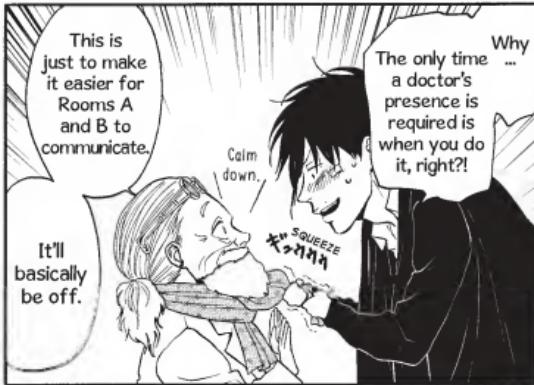
but since last night, I've been seeing this phrase all over the place.











If we feel it's necessary, we'll also connect the video feed.

At that time, we'll ask questions like, "Are you injured?"

And both of you must answer.

TRAINING FIRST SESSION: 2/8 10:12

What should I do?
I need something to talk about...

SI

HUSSH

...



Oh, maybe it's this?
There's a line through the camera and the 'mic icons.'

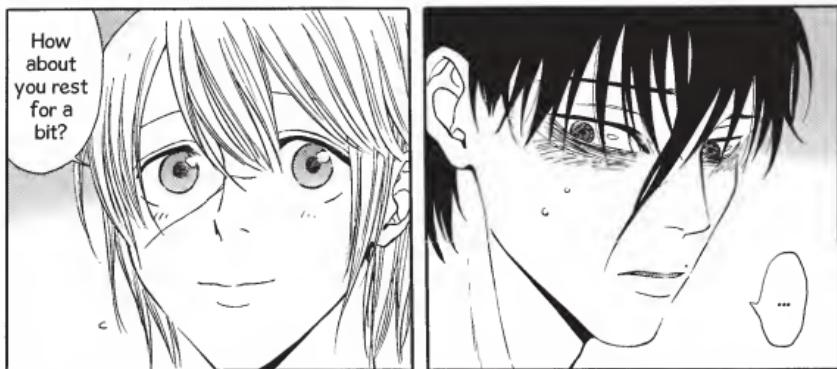


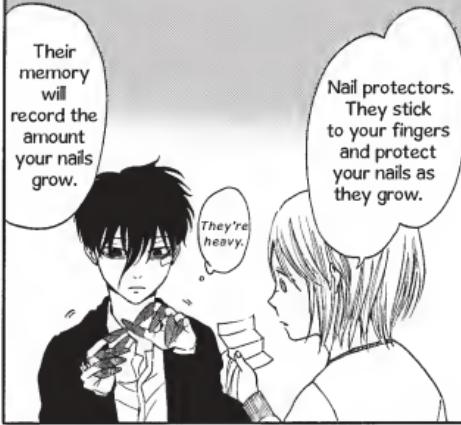
SHUDDER

...00

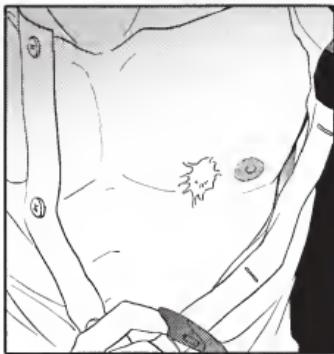














There's
that nice
smell
again.



...Oh!
There
it is.



Even though
I knew it was
a bad idea,
I felt so
comfortable
that I fell
asleep under
the kotatsu.

It was like
that the
first time
I went to
her place.
It smelled
so nice.



JUMP
" " " "













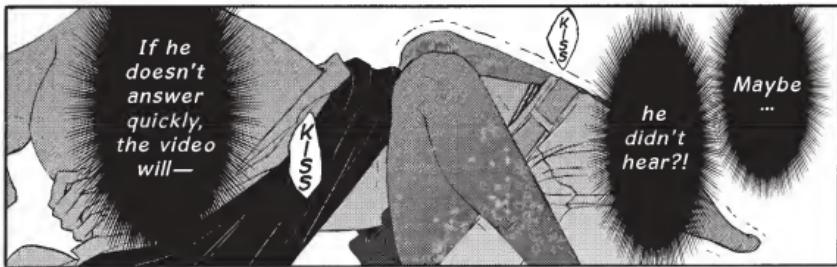


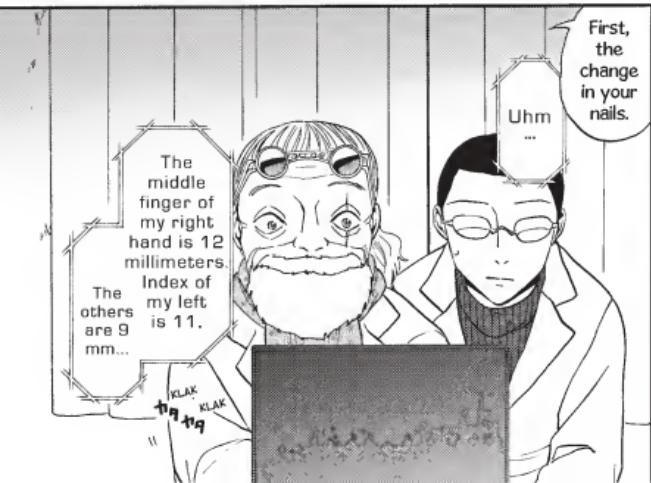


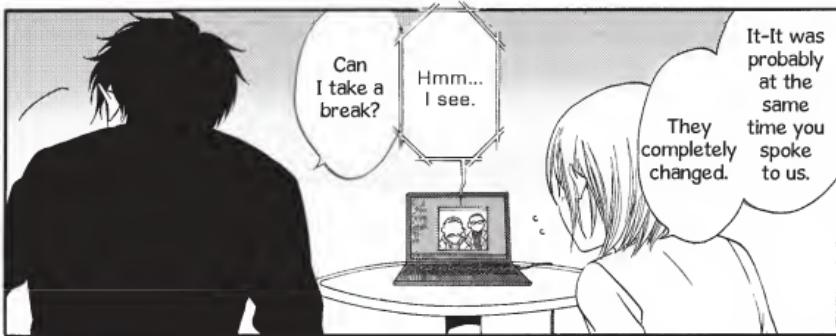
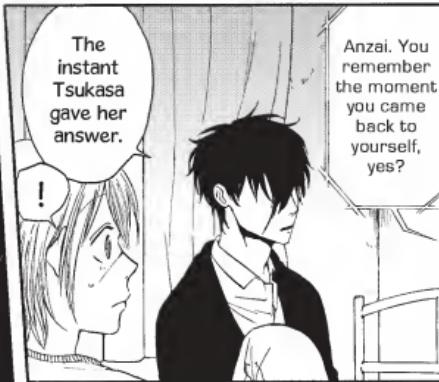
I'm going
to ask you
a question,
so please
answer.

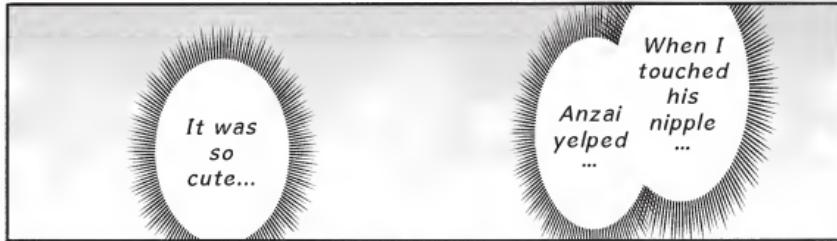
ZZT
ZZT
ZZT
ZZT

Your
tempera-
ture has
exceeded
the
control
value.









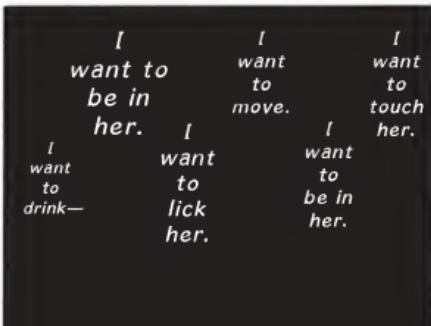
When I pushed her back...



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I want to hear him do that again...

BATAM





Do I...

*want to
drink...?*



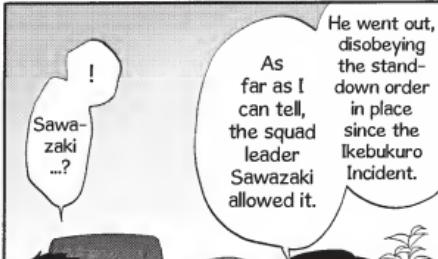








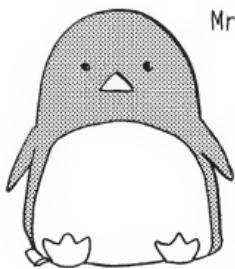








Mr. Penguin



A present to Tsukasa
from her family
when she left for
college in Tokyo,
"so you won't
be lonely."



(Five years ago)
January 31,
2008

WHUP
WHUP
WHUP
Contact from K5.
Nishikasai
9-6.

Sawazaki,
over
here.

Bodies
burned
again,
but...

Two
more
corpses
from the
group of
missing
women
turned up.

What
is this
...?!

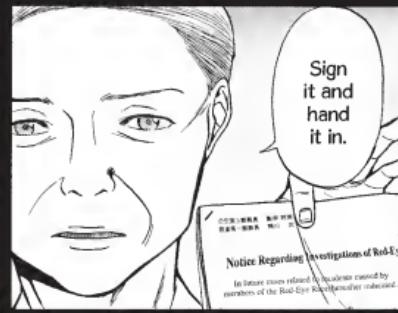
The rain
put the
fire out.

SPLASH
SPLASH



What is it

Fangs.





Line 26

Near



Another two bodies showed up last night.

Twelve women in their 20's have disappeared, one after another, since the end of last year.

The charred remains of two of them were found last week.

Once we looked into it, we found that four of the missing women are not human.

They sometimes falsify their backgrounds in order to work in human society.

And the reason the investigation switched jurisdiction

Case: Serial Disappearances

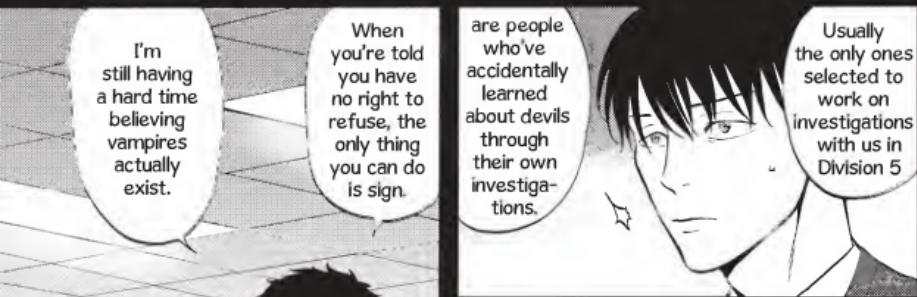
- * This is forced to come within the jurisdiction of the police.
- * Case number: changed to F5 Due to the fact that the police are not interested in the investigation.
- * Jan 31 2006 Division 3 Designated Category: Disappearance and Address

REPORTED	INVESTIGATED	NAME	AGE	SEX	DISAPPEARED	CHARACTERISTICS	LAST KNOWN LOCATION	REMARKS
2006.01.02	2007.12.31	Rebka Hana	Housewife	Female	Changed name disappeared blind and with several burns on her body	Carried out a premarital affair with a man from another town and was beaten several times after that	Unknown	Unknown
2006.01.03	2006.01.03	Mrs. Doso	Divorced	Female	2006.01.25	Wife of above	Unknown	Unknown
2006.01.04	2006.01.04	Aya Oonishi	Divorced	Female	Missing	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
2006.01.05	2006.01.05	Tanaka Shiro	Divorced	Male	Missing	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
2006.01.06	2006.01.06	Miyamoto Ono	Divorced	Male	Missing	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown

Hm?

... So it's true.
About vampires.

... is that one of the bodies last night was found in a non-human condition.







Now that you mention it, you do look kinda pale.

You got a face like you just crawled out of a casket.



It's kind of like a disease.

People born with an addiction to human blood.

What on earth

There's something I've been thinking about.

The human's blood was found on the devil's teeth and in her mouth.

Bite marks and stab wounds were found on the human body.



(PRESUMABLY BECAUSE OF THE RAIN)

Rei Sato (human) and Aimi Amamiya (devil) were discovered last night.

would make him say that...

Going by their addresses and personal histories, Sato and Amamiya had no point of contact.

But they had something in common.

Well, about that...

That's a pretty serious weapon. Was there some kind of trouble between them?

A weapon—a knife—was also found, burned. It appears the devil killed herself with it.

SQUK

and immuno-suppressants were found in both bodies.



They both had very fresh scars from kidney transplant surgery.

Right. The scars were not those of an operation from half a month ago.

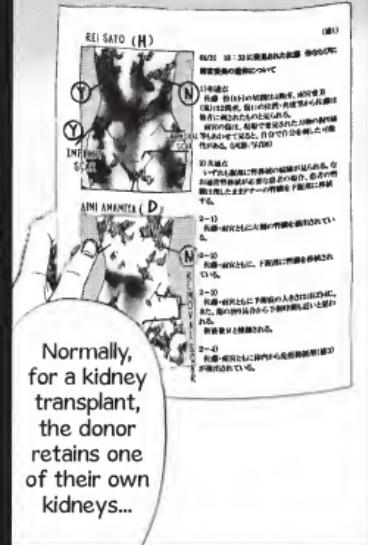
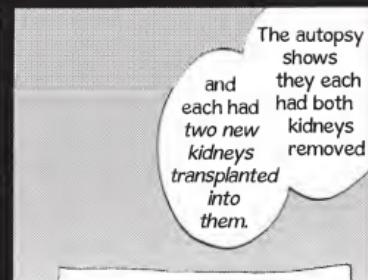
No. It's weird. But they both disappeared on January 14th, and they were found yesterday, the 31st.

So they got the surgeries at the same hospital...?

So a medical professional is involved?

They had the surgery after they went missing.







What?

Oh... Just seeing them together like this, it popped into my head.



Investigation
Division 1,
Homicide
Unit 5

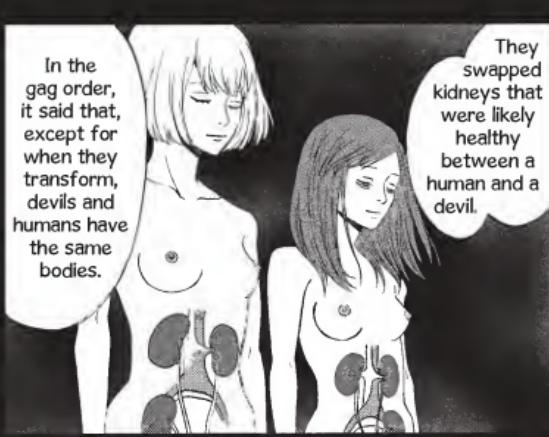
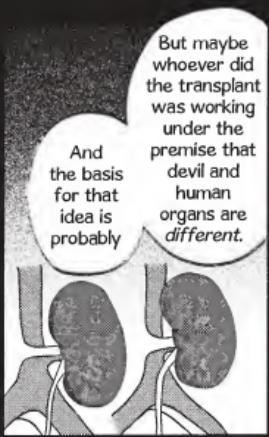
Sergeant
Yousuke
Asami

Now that
I know
some
of the
investiga-
tors are
really
devils,
concen-
trate
...



You
always
process
things so
quickly,
Sawazaki.









Public Safety
Division 5,
Section 2,
B Squad Officer

Juliana
Lloyd





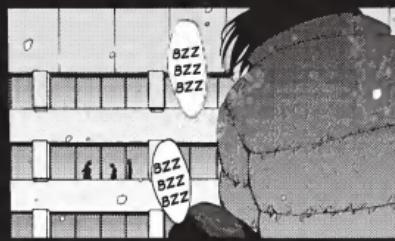
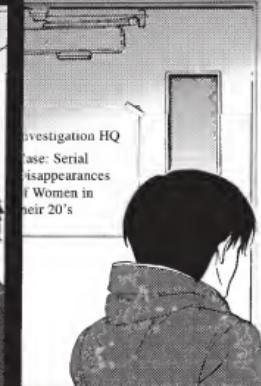


DISCOVERED



MISSING

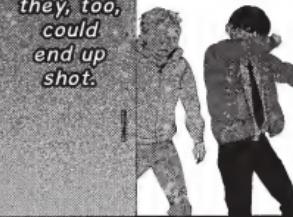








they'll transform in the same way and they, too, could end up shot.



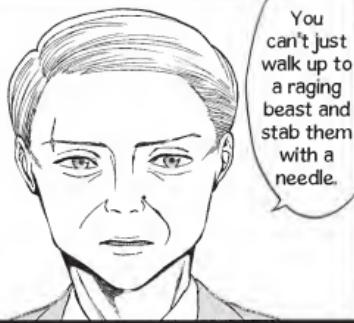
If a devil investigator happens to encounter a bleeding human,

There's a strong possibility a human is bleeding on the scene.

You can't just walk up to a raging beast and stab them with a needle.

You know nothing.

We don't have to shoot them...! Can't we just use tranquilizers or anesthetic or something?!



If someone is injured, we have to hurry—

Well, the humans, anyway.

Let's go, Sawa-
zaki. At any rate, I'm gathering any humans who can deploy.

So then what are the meds for...



I'm going to the storage facility, too, Sawa-
zaki.

You all go ahead to the scene.

BATAM



For now, you should go back to HQ...

The brass said to stay on stand-by.

No, you can't.

missing devils there... There might be other

What if Akane's there?!

How can you say that?!

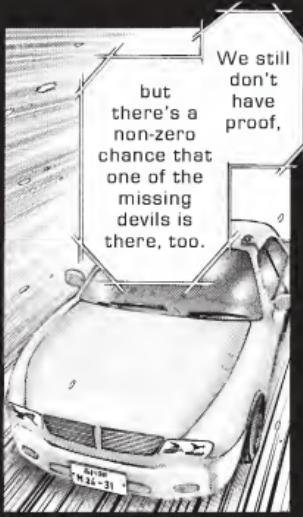
If she is, I will save her!!

Do not come!!

One of the missing humans is thought to be injured.

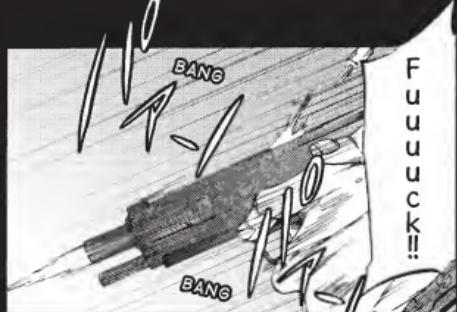
a rental storage facility on the harbor.

Location is Heiwajima 8-3.













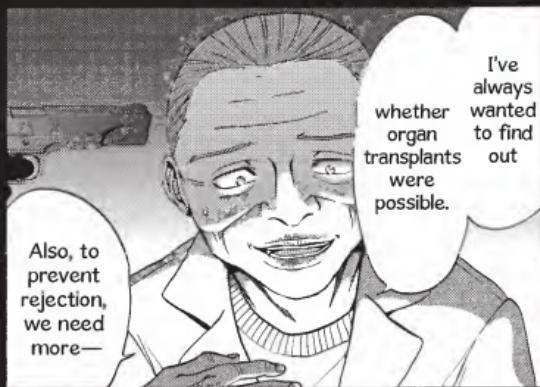


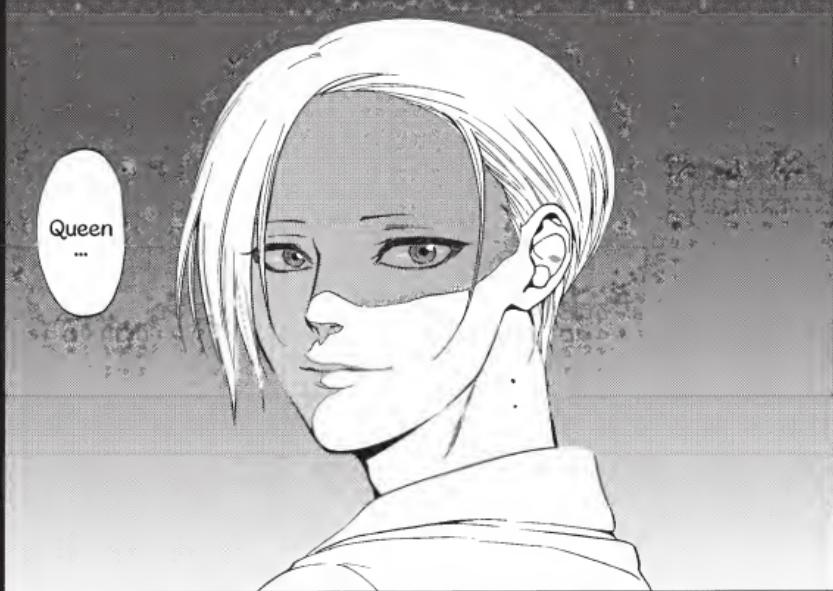
ZZAASH



BANG







You
know
nothing.

Can't we
just use
tranquillizers
or something
?!

What
if
Akane's
there
?!
If
she is,
I will
save
her!!
Do not
come!!



Yuki-
mori!
You're
supposed
to be on
stand-by
...

!







do I
feel
relieved
...

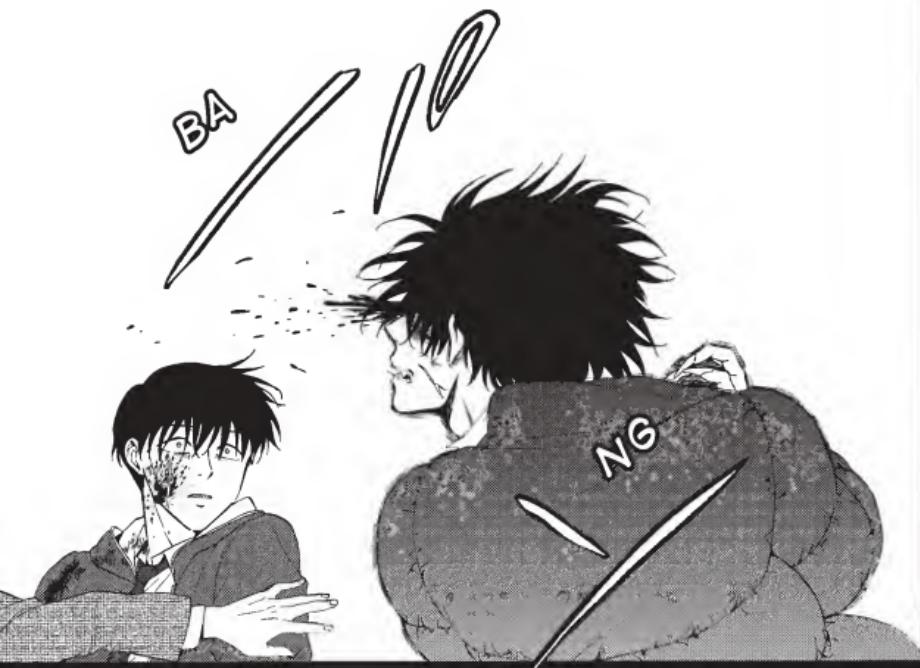
Why
...

in
this
situa-
tion...











*I've been
thinking
about it
all this
time.*



*Are
there
any
other
devils...*

タッ
THUMP



The reason that devils are devils...





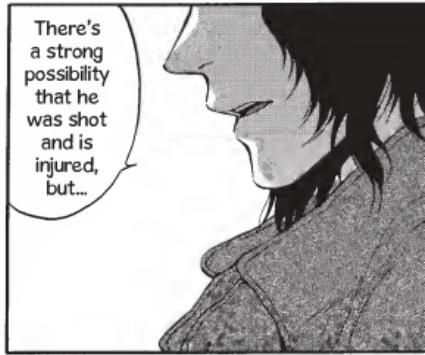


Former squad leader Sawazaki and Asami from Division 1 will report to him.

Starting today, A Squad's Lieutenant Ishimaru will lead F Squad.









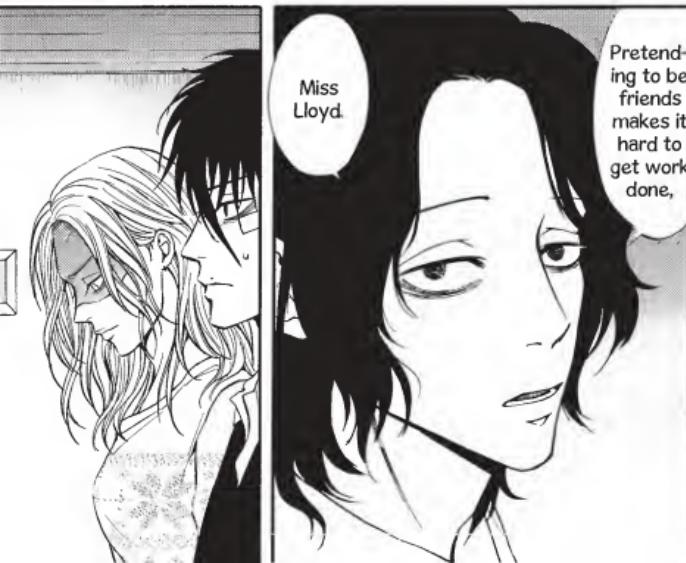






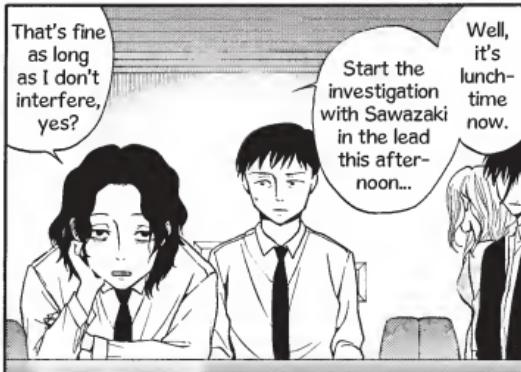


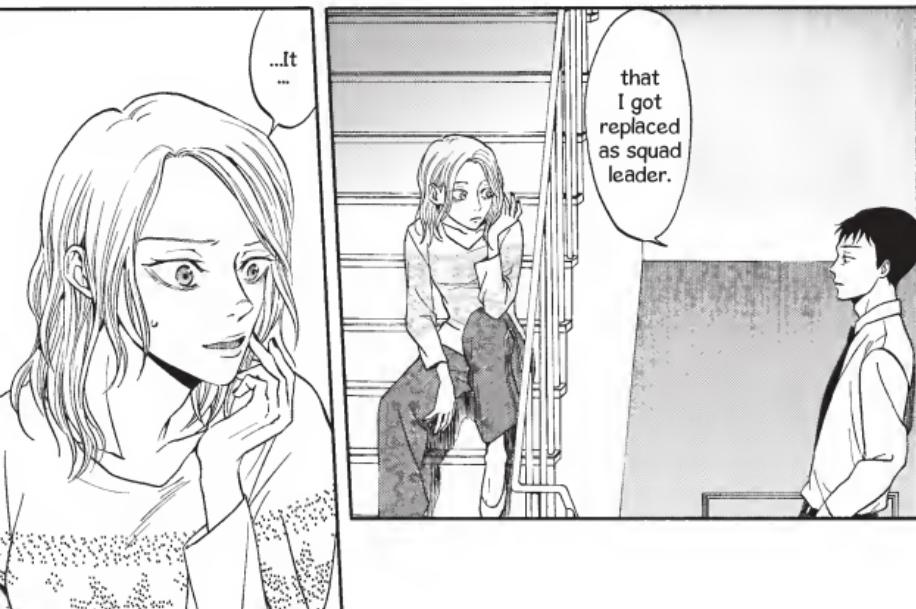


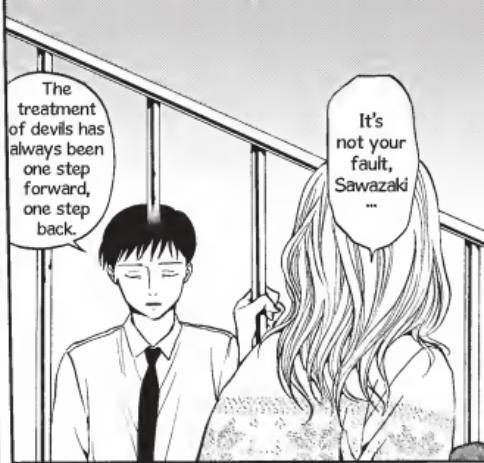
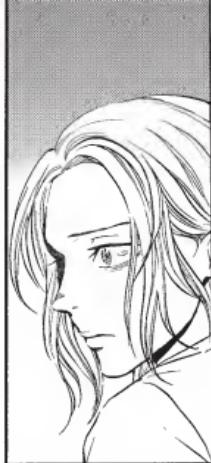


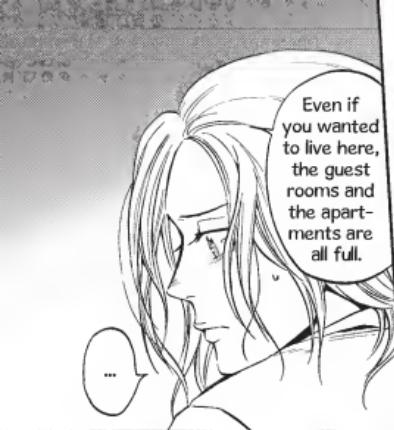












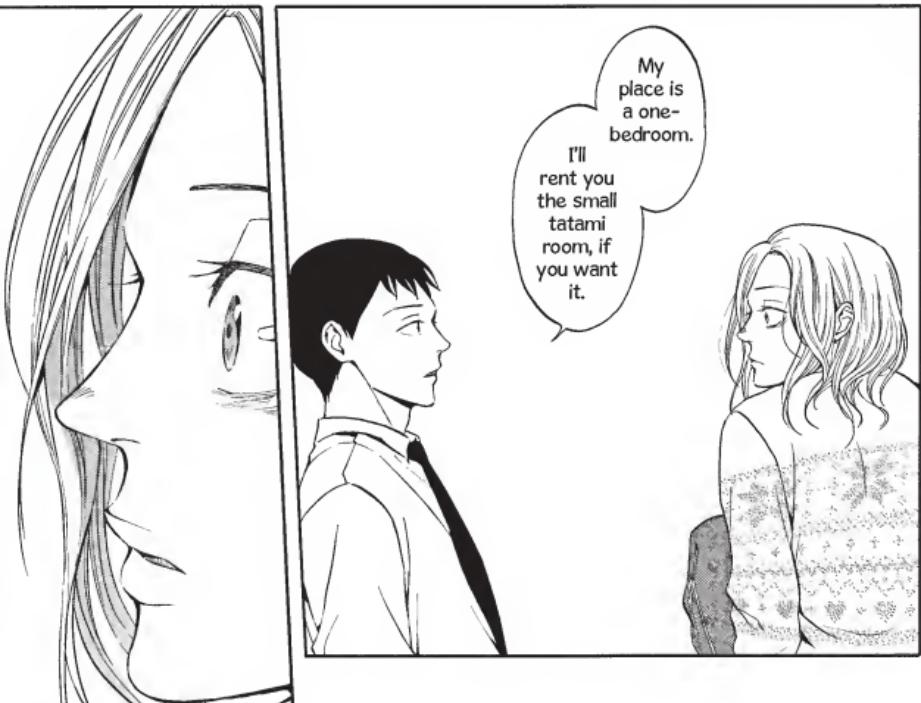
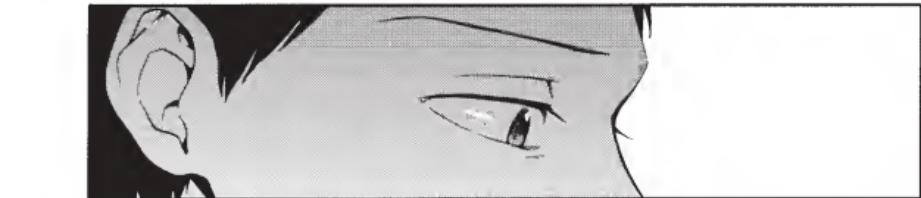
Even if you wanted to live here, the guest rooms and the apartments are all full.

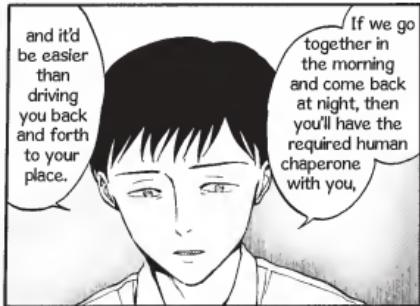


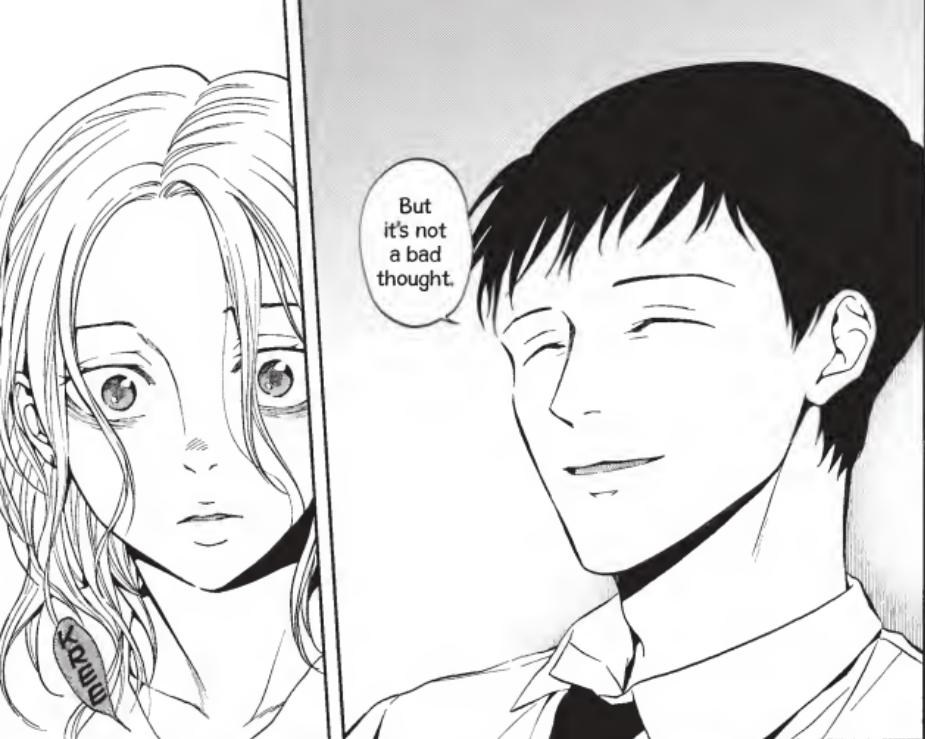
Besides, isn't your place the opposite direction from mine?!

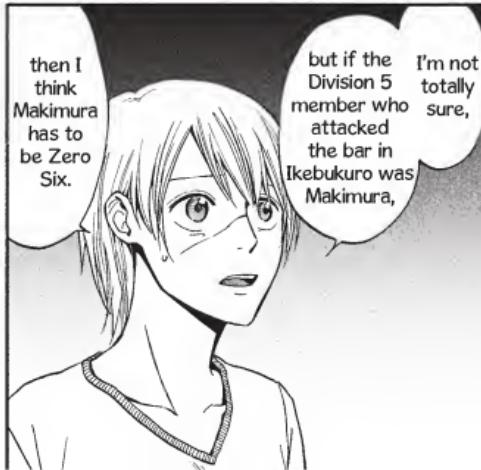
So then you'll hole up in your house alone?

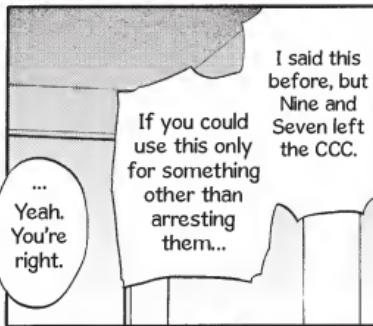
You don't have to do all that.



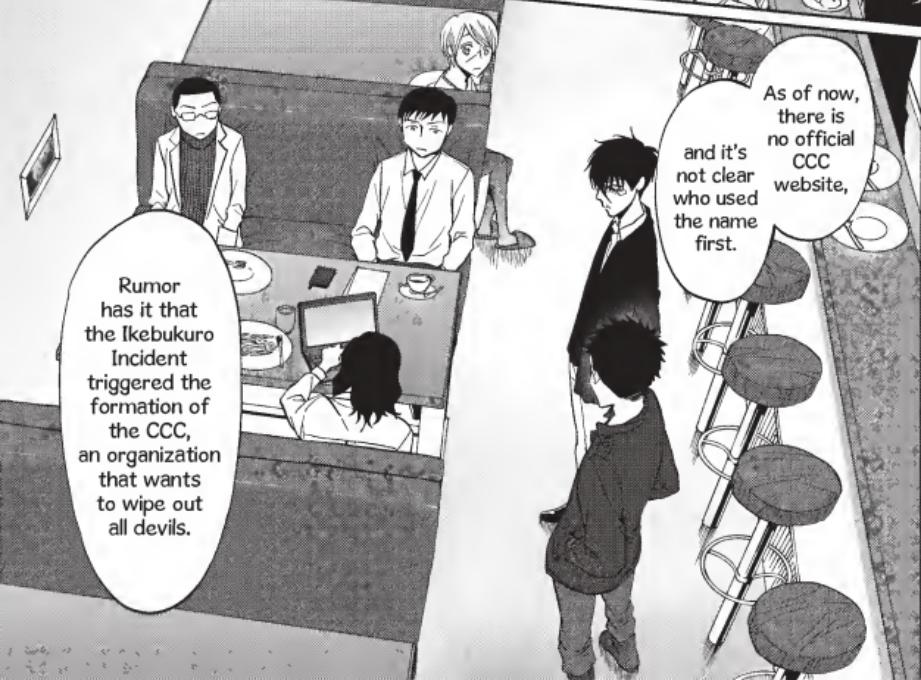


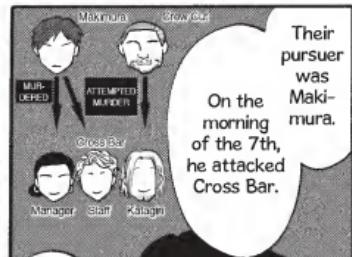
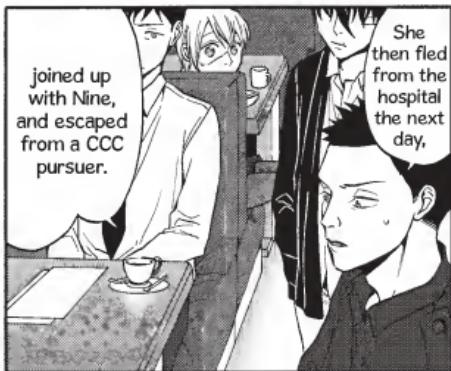
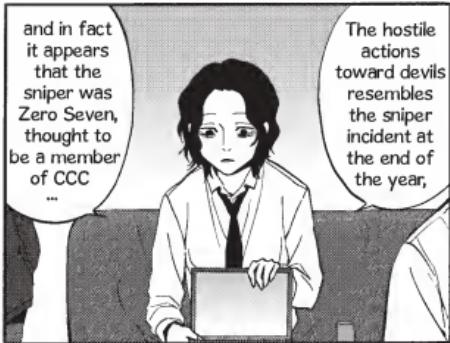












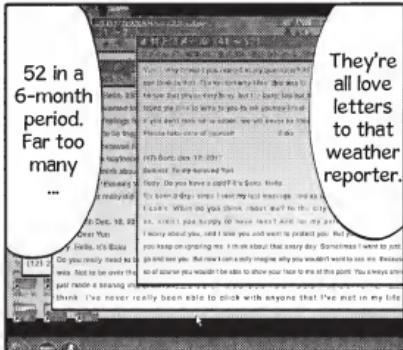


What was the point of killing Murakami and making it look like a suicide ...?



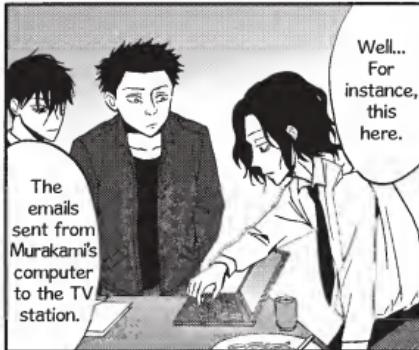
Who was it
that killed
him and
made it
look like a
suicide...?

Katagiri was originally attacked because he witnessed someone push Ren Murakami.



52 in a
6-month
period.
Far too
many

They're all love letters to that weather reporter.



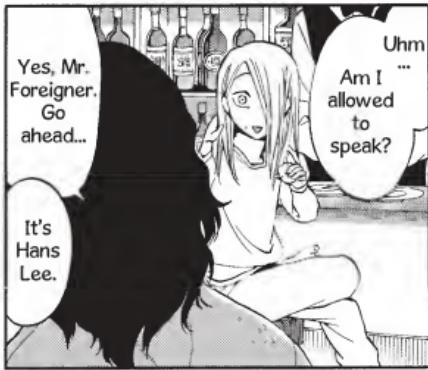
The emails sent from Murakami's computer to the TV station.

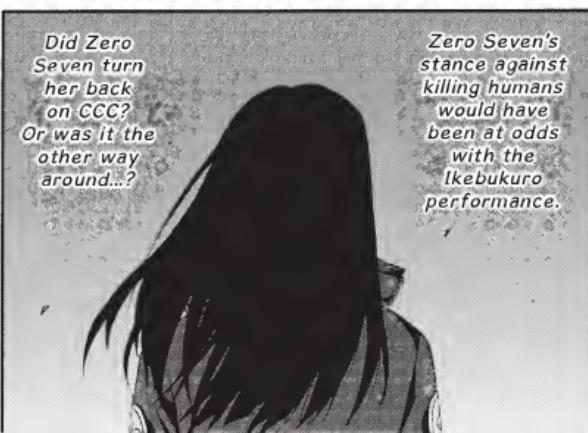
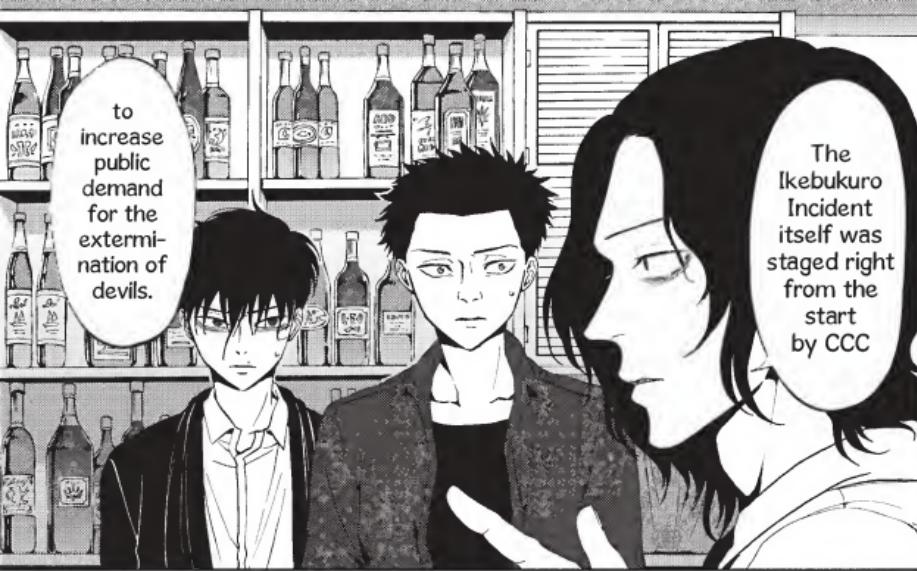


So then what was Murakami's motive for stabbing the weather reporter?



There's no proof it was Murakami who wrote these.





Kikuvara...

If I do,

I'd be reporting to the general commander, Kikuvara.

No, don't.

should I report it to the brass anyways?

his cover was blown, but...

Truth is, the moment we secured Miss Hostage

it'd be better to keep him where his colleagues in Division 5 can keep an eye on him...

Rather than increasing the number of guerrillas whose moves we can't read,

Well, I guess that's true.

he'd let Ushio run before we could get to him.

In the event Kikuvara is in CCC too,

If you're going to report this, it should be after Ushio is secured.

The one who had Ushio deploy to the hotel ...

was Kikuvara, wasn't it?

Hold on a minute ...!

I guess we should nab him first—

But things'll get tricky if he can pull strings within the MPD.





More importantly, I want them to testify that I am not a spy...

Maybe we can persuade her to confess her crimes and turn herself in...

And it doesn't seem like this Zero Seven is such a reckless person.

That's a hopeful prediction...

Shall we get started?

Now then...

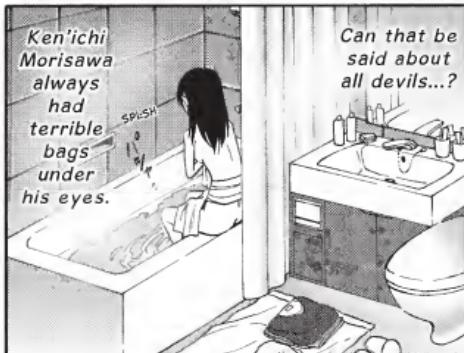
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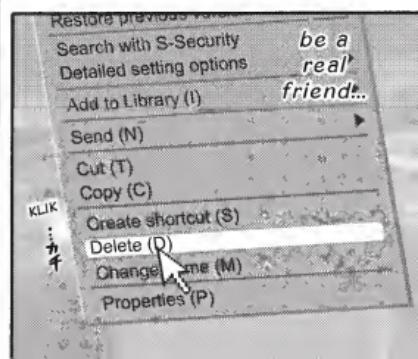
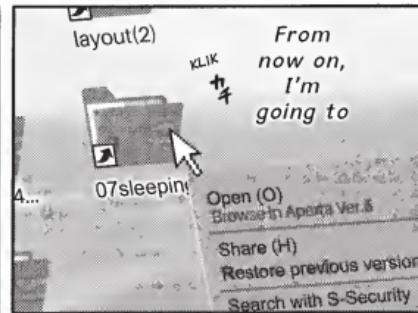
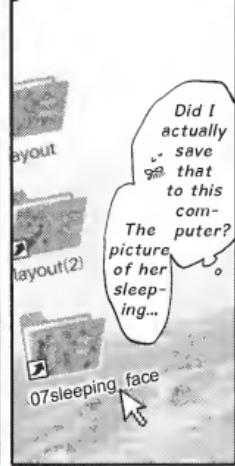
Sawazaki, Yanagi, Lloyd, Lee.

Asami, you investigate Kikuhara and myself

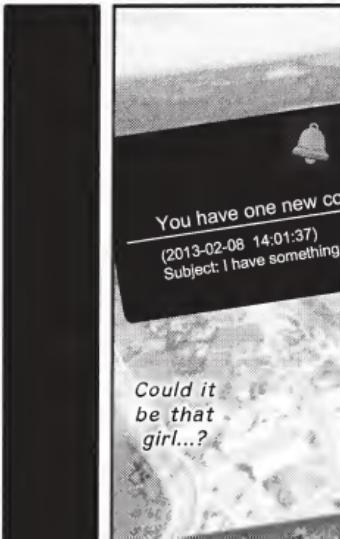
I, Miss Hostage, and Anzai will contact Zero Seven.



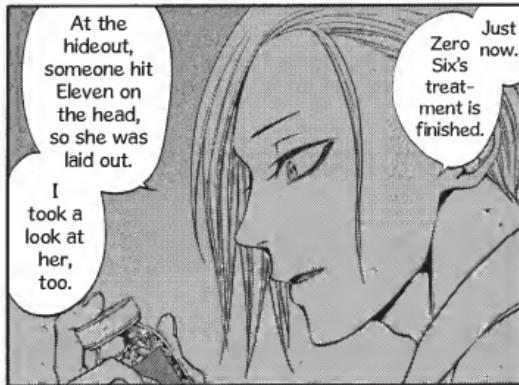


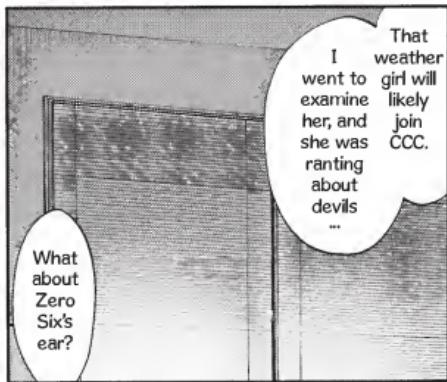
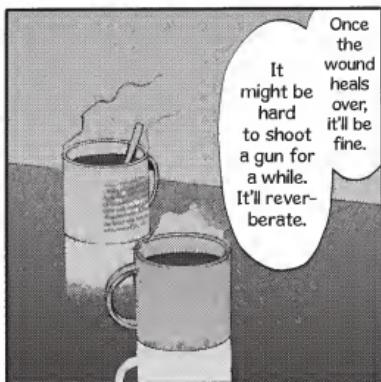


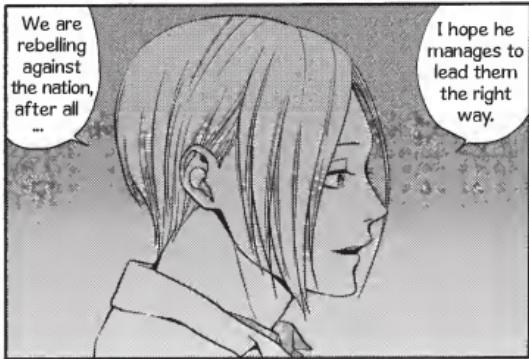








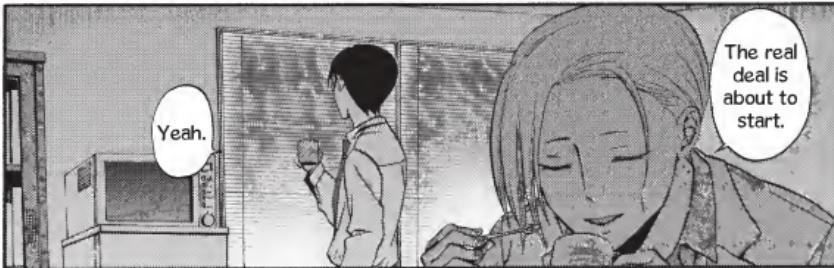




I hope he manages to lead them the right way.



He was transferred to F Squad today.



It's just beginning

...



Line 265
Break Time

The sunrise.



come up.



Line X
Break Time

So
the
sun's
up.

You
wanna
come
up?

Hm?
Yeah.

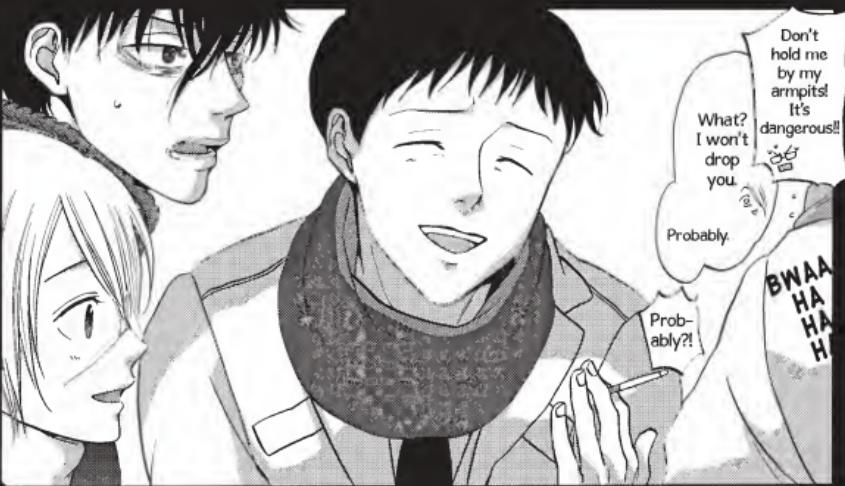
Is the
view
from up
there
good
...?

I'm
sleepy!!

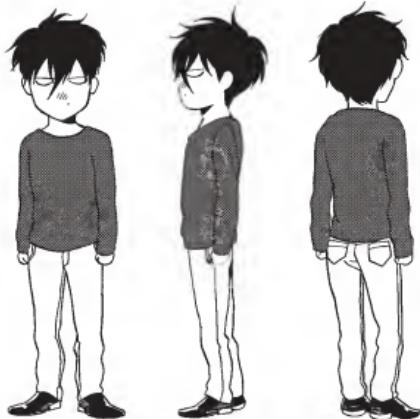
Sunny-
side up
eggs!

Hungry!





AND YOU...



YUUUKI ANZAI

Birthday: January 15 (21 years old)

Permanent residence: Hokkaido

Class: Hybrid

Height: 5' 9"

Eyesight: Left 3.5; Right 3.4

Average sleeping time: 6 hours

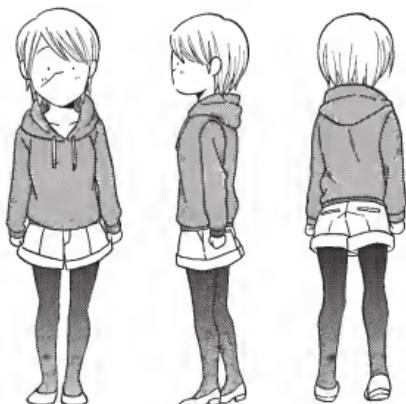
Favorite foods: Chocolate, milk

Features: He is not aware of it, but he's basically a pervert at heart. He prefers slip-on shoes.

Combat strength: 60/100

Skills: Transformation

Class 1 driver's license (from 2010)



Shoe size: 5

TSUKASA TAIRA

Birthday: March 20 (22 years old)

Permanent residence: Kagawa Prefecture

Class: Human

Height: 5'

Eyesight: Left 1.2; Right 1.4

Average sleeping time: 7.5-8 hours

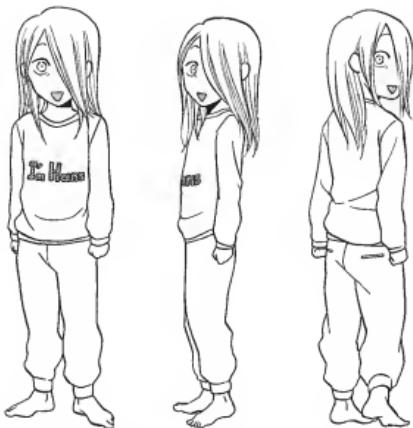
Favorite food: Sardines with grated daikon

Features: Gentle personality. Her instincts aren't bad, but she's very slow on the uptake when people like her. She likes cooking and crafts.

Tolerance: 90/100

Skills: Class 1 driver's license (from 2009) ★ Never drives

TOEIC score of 690 (2011)



AS OF FEBRUARY 2013
HANS LEE (JOHANNES KLEIMAN)

Birthday: January 18 (21 years old)

Permanent residence: Germany

Class: Hybrid

Height: 5' 11"

Eyesight: Left 0.2; Right 4.8
(Left 4.6 when transformed)

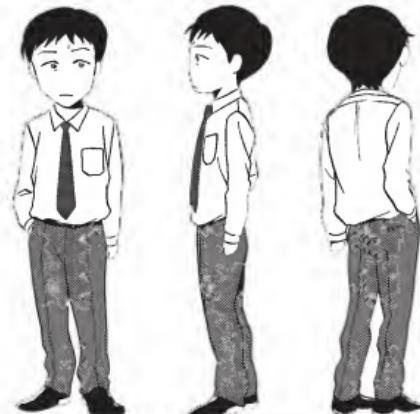
Average sleeping time: 4 hours

Favorite foods: Anything

Features: Sunny and brimming with curiosity. Eats a lot.
Occasionally says things that cannot be taken as either the truth or a joke.

Combat strength: 80/100

Skills: Just-right level of transformation
Making flip books



(Not good at standing out)

TAKASHI SAWAZAKI

Birthday: November 20 (38 years old)

Permanent residence: Chiba
Prefecture

Class: Human

Height: 5' 9"

Eyesight: Left 0.8; Right 0.9

Average sleeping time: 5 hours

Favorite food: Boiled gyoza

Features: He's always worried about his subordinates.
He's maybe always been a bit dense when it comes to relationships?

Combat strength: 50/100

Skills: Class 1 driver's license (from 1993)
EIKEN English certification level 2 (1992)
Junior High/High School teaching license
(social studies, civics) (1997)

AJIN

DEMI-HUMAN

GAMON SAKURAI

SAY YOU GET HIT BY A TRUCK AND DIE.
YOU COME BACK TO LIFE. GOOD OR BAD?

FOR HIGH SCHOOLER KEI—AND FOR AT LEAST FORTY-SIX OTHERS—
IMMORTALITY COMES AS THE NASTIEST SURPRISE EVER.

SADLY FOR KEI, BUT REFRESHINGLY FOR THE READER, SUCH A FEAT
DOESN'T MAKE HIM A SUPERHERO. IN THE EYES OF BOTH THE GENERAL
PUBLIC AND GOVERNMENTS, HE'S A RARE SPECIMEN WHO NEEDS TO BE
HUNTED DOWN AND HANDED OVER TO SCIENTISTS TO BE EXPERIMENTED
ON FOR LIFE—A DEMI-HUMAN WHO MUST DIE A THOUSAND DEATHS
FOR THE BENEFIT OF HUMANITY.

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IN A FUTURE VERSION OF EARTH, THERE IS A CITY GROWN SO CHAOTICALLY MASSIVE THAT ITS INHABITANTS NO LONGER RECALL WHAT "LAND" IS. WITHIN THIS MEGASTRUCTURE THE SILENT, STOIC KYRII IS ON A MISSION TO FIND THE NET TERMINAL GENE—A GENETIC MUTATION THAT ONCE ALLOWED HUMANS TO ACCESS THE CYBERNETIC NETSPHERE. ARMED WITH A POWERFUL GRAVITON BEAM Emitter, KYRII FENDS OFF WAVES OF ATTACKS FROM FELLOW HUMANS, CYBORGs AND SILICON-BASED LIFEFORMS. ALONG THE WAY, HE ENCOUNTERS A HIGHLY-SKILLED SCIENTIST WHOSE BODY HAS DETERIORATED FROM A LENGTHY IMPRISONMENT WHO PROMISES TO HELP KYRII FIND THE NET TERMINAL GENE, ONCE SHE SETTLES A SCORE FOR HERSELF...

"WHETHER IT BE THE GREAT PACING AND LAYOUTS TO THE FRENETIC ACTION THAT OCCUPIES THE PANELS IN THESE SCENES, EVERY ONE OF THEM ALWAYS PACKS A PUNCH. THESE ARE ALL EMPHASIZED BY SOME GREAT DESIGNS ACROSS THE BOARD."

—THE TURNAROUND BLOG

"NIHEI'S MOODY MASTERPIECE FINALLY RELEASED IN ITS FULL DREADFUL SPLENDOR."

—UK ANIME NETWORK

BLAME!



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PREVIEW FOR NEXT VOLUME:

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Awaken your inner devil...



Be prepared to discard kindness.



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